## I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2008 (SECOND) Regular Session

## **Resolution No. 181 (LS)**

As amended.

Introduced by:

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Relative to recognizing and congratulating the many accomplishments of the *Inafa'Maolek* Conciliation on its Twenty-fifth (25<sup>th</sup>) Anniversary.

## 1 BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN 2 GUÅHAN:

3 WHEREAS, *Inafa'Maolek*, literally meaning "to make good" in *Chamorro* 4 is the foundation of the *Chamorro* culture which depends on the spirit of 5 cooperation; and 1 WHEREAS, through his understanding of the *Chamorro* idea of peace 2 and harmony within our community, Mr. Patrick Wolff founded a non-profit 3 organization appropriately named *Inafa'Maolek* Conciliation which sought to 4 help people settle their differences and disputes through conciliation and 5 peace-making; and

6 WHEREAS, in November 1994, Mr. Patrick Wolff conducted his first
7 peer mediation training of thirty-one (31) students from the John F. Kennedy
8 High School, and in the following year included such trainings in the middle
9 and elementary schools; and

WHEREAS, *Inafa'Maolek* Conciliation has provided over one hundred
and twenty (120) trainings conducted throughout Guam's public and private
schools and recently included the Department of Defense Schools; and

WHEREAS, *Inafa'Maolek* provides a wide variety of specialized conflict
resolution workshops for students, to include: Date Rape/Dating Violence,
Bullying, Racial-Ethnic Conflict, Suicide, Sexual Harassment, Peer Pressure,
Bulimia and Bystander Response; and

WHEREAS, trainings and workshops are extended to parents, teachers,
school support staff, and school administrators and are also offered as
continuing education credits at the University of Guam; and

WHEREAS, trainings and workshops creatively use the art of drama which appropriately is named "Peace Theater Skits" and are composed of a youthful training team; and

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WHEREAS, *Inafa'Maolek* has been the lone voice on Guam for
 Restorative Justice for over fifteen (15) years, providing interventions and
 training; and

4 WHEREAS, *Inafa'Maolek* has organized and hosted for our island 5 community two (2) annual conferences, the Island-wide Peer Mediation 6 Conference also known as PeaceStock Conference, and the Peace 7 Talk/Peacemaker Conference which targets Conflict Awareness for adults in 8 schools and in other occupational settings; now, therefore, be it

9 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does 10 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and congratulate the 11 *Inafa'Maolek* Conciliation for its many accomplishments and its contributions 12 to the island of Guam on its Twenty-fifth (25<sup>th</sup>) Anniversary; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the 13 14 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Mr. Patrick M. Wolff, Executive Director and 15 16 Founder Inafa' Maolek Conciliation; to Mr. Joey Lopez, Board President; to Ms. 17 Ronni Connelley, Board Vice President; to Mr. Dave Nelson, Board Treasurer; to Ms. Liz Duenas, Board Secretary; to Board Members Ms. Kathleen Aguon, 18 19 Ms. Marge Artero, Mr. Art DeOro, Mr. Joe Quinata, and Ms. Mary Williams; 20 and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

## DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 10<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2008.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Senator and Secretary of the Legislature