

I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
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As amended.

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Relative to requesting the United Nations to admit Taiwan to meaningfully participate in the activities of the United Nations specialized agencies.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN***
2 ***GUÁHAN*:**

3 **WHEREAS, Taiwan began its campaign in 1993, to be a member of the**
4 **United Nations (UN) ; and**

1 **WHEREAS**, this year, since the election of the new government in
2 Taiwan, Taiwan has decided to ask for inclusion in the UN specialized
3 agencies, such as the World Health Organization (WHO) and the
4 International Maritime Organization (IMO), and other agencies relative to
5 dealing with global issues; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the people of Taiwan are in general support of the UN
7 campaign; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the issue of failure to include an economy with twenty
9 three million people is a breach of the UN system, and Taiwan has been
10 denied participation in conferences, mechanisms, and conventions dealing
11 with important global issues that affect all the peoples of the world; and

12 **WHEREAS**, Taiwan has not been able to establish a direct access and
13 communication with the WHO on disease prevention and implementation of
14 the International Health Regulations, and does not have timely assistance
15 when epidemics such as SARRS occur; and

16 **WHEREAS**, since Taiwan does not have direct access to the IMO, it
17 does not have first hand information on shipping matters, and the validity of
18 Taiwan's Seaman's Certificates has been frequently challenged, despite
19 Taiwan having the world's tenth (10th) largest shipping capacity; and

20 **WHEREAS**, Taiwan is the world's eighteenth (18th) largest economy and
21 the twentieth (20th) largest outbound investor and with this economic

1 strength, Taiwan wishes to directly interact with other developing countries
2 by offering technical and humanitarian assistance, to the benefit of all; and

3 **WHEREAS**, membership in the UN specialized agencies, with their
4 functional and technical nature, would help promote peace and cooperation
5 in the Asia-Pacific region; the two sides of the Taiwan Strait would be able to
6 set aside differences and strengthen cooperation on issues of mutual concern,
7 thereby reducing misunderstanding and friction gradually, thus the
8 possibility of conflict in the Taiwan Strait will be greatly reduced and the
9 stability and prosperity in the Asia-Pacific region will be further strengthened;
10 now, therefore, be it

11 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does
12 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, supports Taiwan's appeal to the
13 United Nations to have full participation in the United Nations specialized
14 agencies to ensure the fundamental rights of Taiwan's twenty three million
15 people and promote the welfare of all mankind; and be it further

16 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
17 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be
18 thereafter transmitted to the President, of Taiwan; to the Director General,
19 Taipei Economic and Cultural Office on Guam; to the United Nations; and to
20 the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN* ON THE 17TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2008.



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