

***I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN***  
**2008 (SECOND) Regular Session**

**Resolution No. 190 (LS)**

As amended.

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**Relative to congratulating the dedicated employees, Management, and the Board of Directors of the Jose D. Leon Guerrero Port Authority as they celebrate their Thirty-third (33<sup>rd</sup>) Anniversary and observe October 20, 2008, through October 24, 2008, as Port Week.**

1            **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN***  
2 ***GUÁHAN*:**  
3            **WHEREAS, the Jose D. Leon Guerrero Port Authority was established**  
4 **as a Public Corporation and autonomous government agency in October 1975;**  
5 **and**

1           **WHEREAS**, over the last three (3) decades, our Port has provided full  
2 services to ocean passenger, cargo, and fishing vessels who have called upon  
3 our seaport and has developed into a major transshipment center for the  
4 Western Pacific; and

5           **WHEREAS**, the Port is the lifeline to our island and critical to our  
6 country's National Security. It is essential for the continued development of  
7 our economy and the anticipated military buildup as well as for the survival  
8 of the people of Guam due to our dependence on imported goods including  
9 food, fuel, medical supplies, equipment and raw materials; and

10           **WHEREAS**, in 2007, the Port moved two million sixty eight thousand  
11 seven hundred seventy-five (2,068,775) revenue tons of cargo and about  
12 ninety-nine thousand six hundred thirty (99,630) containers; and

13           **WHEREAS**, three hundred forty six (346) dedicated and hardworking  
14 employees handle port operations as stevedores, cargo checkers, equipment  
15 operators, accountants, tariff specialists, administrative staff, and managers  
16 for the five (5) cargo handling piers, a container yard, two (2) fuel piers, two  
17 (2) marinas and a harbor of refuge; and

18           **WHEREAS**, the Port annually services over one thousand one hundred  
19 seventy (1,170) cargo ships and fishing vessels from around the world; and

20           **WHEREAS**, over the past fiscal year, the Port recognized a \$3.6 million  
21 increase in operating revenues due to the rise in the number of cargo handled  
22 and rate adjustments; and

1           **WHEREAS**, the Port continues to maintain its aging equipment and  
2 successfully passed the annual Occupational Safety and Health  
3 Administration inspection for all cargo handling equipment; and

4           **WHEREAS**, the Port has made significant strides in preparing for the  
5 impending military buildup by laying out the road map for the Port’s  
6 modernization through the Master Plan Updates; and

7           **WHEREAS**, the Port is addressing the military’s concern that the facility  
8 is the “chokepoint” for the build-up through the completion of the Port  
9 Master Plan Updates, the Financial Feasibility Study and the agency’s move to  
10 partner with various federal agencies that will assist and facilitate the  
11 modernization and expansion programs; and

12           **WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors, Management and employees stand  
13 committed to delivering cargo in a timely and efficient manner, and to  
14 moving forward with the recommendations outlined in the Master Plan  
15 Updates to transform the Jose D. Leon Guerrero Port Authority of Guam into  
16 a modern facility; now, therefore, be it

17           **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does  
18 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, congratulate and commend the  
19 dedicated employees, management and the Board of Directors of the Jose D.  
20 Leon Guerrero Port Authority on their Thirty-third (33<sup>rd</sup>) Anniversary; and be  
21 it further

22           **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on  
23 behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the importance of “Port Week” and

1 does encourage the people of our island to actively participate in the many  
2 activities relating to the thirty-third celebration; and be it further

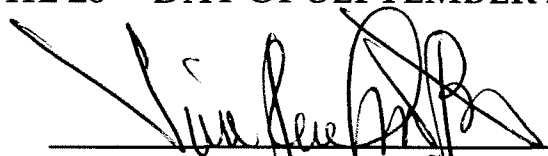
3 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the  
4 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be  
5 thereafter transmitted to Mr. Glenn Leon Guerrero, General Manager of the  
6 Jose D. Leon Guerrero Port Authority; to Mr. Monte Mesa, Chairman of the  
7 Jose D. Leon Guerrero Port Authority; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho,  
8 *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan.*

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA  
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 26<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2008.**



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**JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.**  
Speaker



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**TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**  
Senator and  
Secretary of the Legislature