

***I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN***  
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**Resolution No. 203 (LS)**

As amended.

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**Relative to expressing the support of *I Liheslaturan Guåhan* for the Department of Public Health and Social Services' Annual Maternal and Child Health Program, with the selected theme: "*Make a Change. Make a Difference.*"**

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

3 WHEREAS, the Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Task Force will be  
4 celebrating its fifteen (15<sup>th</sup>) year in promoting the health, wellness and safety  
5 of our families with this year's selected theme: *"Make a Change. Make a*  
6 *Difference."*; and

7 WHEREAS, Guam's unique character begins in our homes, where our  
8 children learn proper standards of conduct, values, and the importance of  
9 service. Our families provide children the encouragement, support, and love  
10 that they need to become confident, compassionate, and successful members  
11 of society. We must work together to promote and preserve the health and  
12 security of our families by upholding the timeless values that have sustained  
13 our people; and

14 WHEREAS, recent events have reminded us of the blessings of family  
15 and friends, and of the importance of faith. As an island community, we have  
16 a renewed dedication to our freedom, our people, and our principles. In our  
17 homes, schools, places of worship, workplaces, and civic and social  
18 organizations, we must continue to encourage and provide basic health care  
19 for our children, including those with special needs; and

20 WHEREAS, the nurturing and development of our families require  
21 investment, focus, and commitment. Strong families make for strong, drug-  
22 free communities. We must take the time to develop positive and open

1 relationships with our children. As parents, we must help fight the war on  
2 drugs and encourage positive choices. Across our island, citizens, schools,  
3 and civic institutions can assist families by helping to meet the needs of all  
4 those who live in our community. As we work together to strengthen our  
5 families, we will build an Island of hope and opportunity for all; and

6       **WHEREAS**, many of us fondly remember the joys and challenges of  
7 childhood and appreciate the endless sacrifices that our families made to love,  
8 protect, and encourage us as we grew into adulthood. During the Week of  
9 November 23 through 29, 2008, we take time as parents and concerned  
10 citizens to recognize *Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies Awareness Week* with  
11 the theme *“Make a Change. Make a Difference.”* and to reaffirm our  
12 commitment to nurture and care for our children in the best way possible;  
13 now, therefore, be it

14       **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina’Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does  
15 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, urge all members of our island  
16 community to commit themselves to supporting programs and activities to  
17 promote the health, wellness and safety of our families; and be it further

18       **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the  
19 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be  
20 thereafter transmitted to the Members of the Healthy Mothers, Healthy Babies  
21 Task Force; to the Director of the Department of Public Health and Social  
22 Services; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Member of Congress,


- 1 United States House of Representatives; and to the Honorable Felix P.
- 2 Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 20<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER 2008.**



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



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**TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES**  
Senator and  
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