

I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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As amended.

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Relative to expressing the gratitude of the people of Guam to Rear Admiral Joe Leidig for his contributions to the island and to Navy-Civilian relationships during his term on Guam.

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

2 ***GUÅHAN*:**

3 **WHEREAS**, in 1978, Rear Admiral Joe Leidig graduated with distinction
4 from the U.S. Naval Academy with a Bachelor of Science in Mathematics; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Rear Admiral Joe Leidig earned a Master's Degree in
6 National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College in 1994

1 and subsequently completed the National Security Management Program at
2 the Syracuse University Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs in
3 2001; and

4 **WHEREAS**, Rear Admiral Leidig's Operational Tours include service in
5 both attack and ballistic missile submarines; he served on USS HENRY L.
6 STIMSON (SSBN 655), USS SAM RAYBURN (SSBN 635), USS STONEWALL
7 JACKSON (SSBN 634), and as Executive Officer on USS POGY (SSN 647); and

8 **WHEREAS**, Rear Admiral Leidig received the David Lloyd Leadership
9 Award and the L.Y. Spear Award upon completion of the Submarine Officer
10 Advanced Course; and

11 **WHEREAS**, in 1994, Rear Admiral Leidig assumed command of USS
12 CAVALLA (SSN 684) and, under his command, USS CAVALLA earned two
13 (2) Meritorious Unit Commendations and, in 1996, was awarded the Navy
14 Battle Efficiency 'E', Engineering Excellence 'E', and Tactical Operations
15 Excellence 'T'; and

16 **WHEREAS**, in 1999, Rear Admiral Leidig served as Commander,
17 Submarine Development Squadron Five, where he was the Operational
18 Commander for the Navy's Deep Submergence Program and the Tactical
19 Development Authority for the Submarine Force's off-hull sensors, Arctic
20 warfare and submarine rescue and escape programs; and

21 **WHEREAS**, Rear Admiral Leidig's staff assignments include service as
22 Material Officer on Submarine Squadron Eleven staff, as Senior Member of
23 the Nuclear Propulsion Examining Board, U.S. Atlantic Fleet, as Assistant
24 Deputy Director for Regional Operations on the Joint Staff and as Executive
25 Assistant to the Director of the Joint Staff, and two (2) tours at the U.S. Naval

1 Academy as an instructor and later as the 80th Commandant of Midshipmen;
2 and

3 **WHEREAS**, Rear Admiral Leidig's personal decorations include: the
4 Defense Superior Service Medal, three (3) Legion of Merit Awards, two (2)
5 Meritorious Service Medal Awards, Joint Service Commendation Medal, four
6 (4) Navy Commendation Medal Awards and the Navy Achievement Medal,
7 along with other unit and service awards; and

8 **WHEREAS**, Rear Admiral Leidig assumed command of U.S. Naval
9 Forces Marianas and Navy Region Marianas in June 2005; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Rear Admiral Leidig led the start-up of the Navy's largest
11 Base Operating Support (BOS) Contract, that involved an unprecedented
12 Three Hundred Thirty-five Million Dollars (\$335M) Military Construction
13 investment, thus improving to Fleet Readiness and Quality of Life (QOL) for
14 Sailors and their families; and

15 **WHEREAS**, from water outages to environmental concerns, Rear
16 Admiral Leidig assured Guam citizens that the U.S. Navy was acting in a fair,
17 responsive, and respectful manner; and Rear Admiral Leidig has constructed
18 a foundation of trust and mutual respect with civilian leadership, which will
19 pay off immeasurably in the transfer of eight thousand (8,000) Marines and
20 their families from Okinawa to Guam; and

21 **WHEREAS**, Rear Admiral Leidig made recommendation to the U.S.
22 Pacific Command and Office of the Secretary of Defense as to how to proceed
23 with the force realignment between Guam and Japan; and

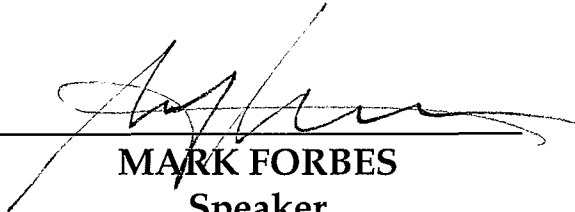
24 **WHEREAS**, while on Guam, Rear Admiral Leidig supported sporting
25 events such as 5K runs, triathlons and SCUBA diving, engaged the business

1 community via the Chamber of Commerce/Armed Forces Committee,
2 supported the USO and embraced the Sister Village Program; now, therefore,
3 be it

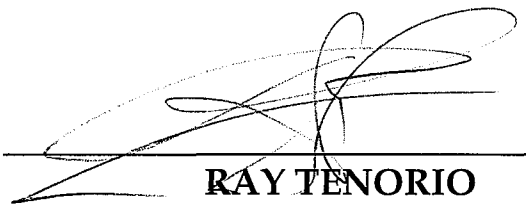
4 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does
5 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, express its sincere gratitude to Rear
6 Admiral Joe Leidig for his service on Guam and wishes him the best of luck in
7 all future endeavors; and be it further

8 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
9 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be
10 thereafter transmitted to Rear Admiral Joe Leidig; to Rear Admiral
11 Christopher Weaver, Commander, Naval Installations; to Admiral Timothy J.
12 Keating, U.S. Pacific Command; to Admiral Michael G. Mullen, Chief of Naval
13 Operations; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 3RD DAY OF APRIL 2007.



MARK FORBES
Speaker



RAY TENORIO
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature