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

Resolution No. 212 (LS)

As amended.

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Relative to commending Mr. Robert Hernandez of Inchcape PLC Group of London, President of the company's local affiliate, Atkins-Kroll, on the occasion of his promotion to South American Regional Director for Inchcape and in recognition of all the support and service-oriented goodwill he has demonstrated to the people of Guam during his tenure here, as well as to thank Robert and his wife, Kara, for their enormous and wide-ranging contributions made to our community.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN

2 GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, Robert Hernandez, a 1987 graduate of Santa Maria
University in Venezuela, received a Bachelor's Degree in Business with a
major in Accounting and possesses specialized training in international
management, car dealership management, business financial management,
and computer auditing; and

WHEREAS, as internal auditor with Inchcape, Robert's many assignments included Atkins-Kroll, Inc., which was established on Guam in 1914, and is a member of the Inchcape Group of companies, being Guam's oldest business enterprise; and

WHEREAS, in 1991, Robert was transferred to Guam as Chief Accountant for Atkins Kroll. In 1993, he was promoted to Financial Controller and in 1995 to Finance Director. By the spring of 2000, Inchcape had promoted Robert to Vice President and General Manager; this was soon followed by another promotion in 2001 when he was appointed President of Atkins-Kroll on Guam and Microl Corporation on Saipan; and

WHEREAS, as President, Robert, along with his senior management team and his line managers, focused on customer service. The company upgraded the facilities to allow its associates to better serve the customers. A culturally-focused customer service workplace was established, full of

- 1 inspiration, creativity and innovation concepts, enabling associates to possess
- 2 a sense of value, morale and teamwork; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Robert's objective upon his appointment as president of
- 4 Atkins Kroll was to achieve forty percent (40%) market share and the
- 5 company maintained this. Today, as he prepares to depart Guam for
- 6 Santiago, Chile, to take on his new role, Robert leaves Atkins-Kroll with a
- 7 fifty-two percent (52%) market share, the highest in the company's history.
- 8 Atkins Kroll achieved Toyota's Triple Crown Market Share status with
- 9 leadership in passenger, light commercial and overall market sectors; and
- WHEREAS, Robert's dedication and pursuit of excellence extended well
- 11 beyond the confines of the Atkins-Kroll automotive campus, leaving a
- 12 remarkable impression throughout Guam's community with his public
- 13 service. Robert took on leadership roles and remained actively involved with
- 14 his wife, Kara, in a wide range of community and civic organizations,
- 15 including, but not limited to, the Rotary Club of Tumon Bay, TakeCare's
- 16 Board of Directors, the Guam Chamber of Commerce, Guam Visitors Bureau,
- 17 Guam Automobile Dealers Association, National Automobile Dealers
- 18 Association, Guam Healthcare and Hospital Development Foundation, and
- 19 the Navy League of Guam Council; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Robert's passion and leadership has been instrumental in
- 21 the reorganizing and restructuring of the Guam Baseball Federation,

- 1 providing desperately needed guidance and dedication to developing
- 2 baseball to the highest competitive level; and
- WHEREAS, Kara, who has played a key role in early child care business
- 4 development for the families of Guam, and whose numerous charitable and
- 5 social contributions have made her a role model for the island's young
- 6 women, will travel to Chile as an honorable representative of our island's
- 7 women; and
- 8 WHEREAS, Robert met his beautiful wife, Kara, here on Guam and
- 9 their four (4) beautiful children, Gabriela, Alex, Mikaela, and Nicolas, were all
- 10 born here and shall always be able to call Guam "home", and until they return
- shall be sorely missed by all; now, therefore, be it
- 12 **RESOLVED,** that *I Mina' Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on
- 13 behalf of the people of Guam, highly commend and thank Robert and Kara
- 14 Hernandez for all their professionalism, selfless dedication, passion to
- 15 excellence, and service to others in the workplace, in the community, and in
- 16 the boardroom; and, be it further
- 17 RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
- 18 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be
- 19 transmitted to Mr. and Mrs. Robert and Kara Hernandez; and to the
- 20 Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 22ND DAY OF DECEMBER 2008.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Speaker

TINA ROSEMUÑA BARNES

Senator and

Secretary of the Legislature