

I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
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Relative to congratulating the Staff, Management, Owners and Stakeholders of the Sheraton Laguna Guam Resort on the occasion of the Hotel's Grand Opening Celebration on Friday, April 20, 2007; and thanking Ken Corporation for its continued faith and investment in the island community and the tourism and hospitality industry.

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

3 **WHEREAS,** the Sheraton Laguna Guam Resort represents a multi-
4 million dollar development project that enhances the offerings of the island's

1 hospitality community in support of Guam’s number one industry - Tourism;
2 and

3 **WHEREAS**, the Sheraton Laguna Guam Resort began with a vision by
4 Real Estate Development Company, Ken Corporation, through the purchase
5 of the Palace Hotel Guam on June 1, 2006; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the vision formally conceptualized in December of 2006, is
7 today revealed in Ken Corporation putting forward a premier world-class
8 operation that is the Sheraton Laguna Guam Resort; and

9 **WHEREAS**, this Forty Million Dollars (\$40M) development looks to
10 further the standards of the island’s hospitality trade through amenities
11 offered by incorporating the principles set forth for hotels and resorts
12 operating with the distinction of a five-and-a-half-star (5.5-Star) rated guest
13 services facility; and

14 **WHEREAS**, the Sheraton Laguna Guam Resort offers the “Ultimate
15 Luxury Resort” for the guest island resident or visitor with three hundred
16 eleven (311) guest rooms, eighty four (84) suites, a new selection of
17 restaurants, bars, the White Arrow Chapel, a 7,000 square foot Ocean Sirena
18 Ballroom and special events rooms and meeting rooms; and

19 **WHEREAS**, with up-scale facilities and attention to detail, the Sheraton
20 Laguna Guam Resort is poised to raise the bar in the island’s hospitality trade
21 to a service level above and beyond current industry standards with
22 distinctive and innovative services; and

23 **WHEREAS**, the dedication to excellence associated with the brand
24 family offered by hotelier Starwood Hotels and Resorts Worldwide is
25 reflected throughout the Sheraton Laguna Guam Resort; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the Sheraton Laguna Guam Resort is geared to contribute
2 to the island’s economy as a business partner, private sector employer and
3 stakeholder in the success of our island community and good corporate
4 citizen; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the Ken Corporation’s employment of approximately two
6 hundred fifty (250) employees, up seventy (70) employees from the original
7 acquisition, and faith in the island’s economic future is testimony that the
8 Sheraton’s philosophy of “You just don’t stay here, you belong,” is held and
9 practiced by the organization; and

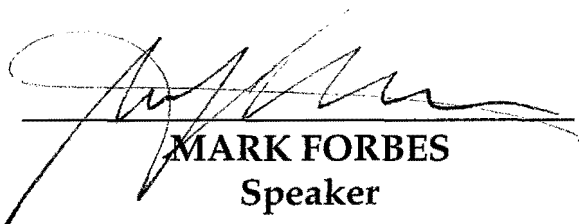
10 **WHEREAS**, the Sheraton Laguna Guam Resort is the latest in a growing
11 list of hotel and resort investments on Guam by Ken Corporation, which owns
12 the Hyatt Regency Guam, the Pacific Islands Club, Hotel Santa Fe and
13 recently acquired the Country Club of the Pacific; now, therefore, be it

14 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina’Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does
15 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, congratulate the staff, management,
16 owners and stakeholders of the Sheraton Laguna Guam Resort on the
17 occasion of the facility’s Grand Opening Celebration on Friday, April 20, 2007;
18 and be it further

19 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina’Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does
20 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, congratulate and thank Ken
21 Corporation for its continued faith and investment in the island community
22 and the tourism and hospitality industry with the acquisition, operation and
23 development of the Sheraton Laguna Guam Resort, the Hyatt Regency Guam,
24 the Pacific Islands Club, Hotel Santa Fe and the Country Club of the Pacific;
25 and be it further

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the
2 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be
3 thereafter transmitted to Mr. Shigeru Sato, President, Ken Real Estate; to Mr.
4 Brian Pak, Vice President and General Manager, Sheraton Laguna Guam
5 Resort; to Mr. Kaoru Kato, Director of Sales and Chairman of the Grand
6 Opening Committee, Sheraton Laguna Guam Resort; and to the Honorable
7 Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 19TH DAY OF APRIL 2007.**



MARK FORBES
Speaker



RAY TENORIO
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature