

***I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN***  
**2007 (FIRST) Regular Session**

**Resolution No. 56 (LS)**

As amended.

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Relative to recognizing the American Cancer Society Guam Field Office for promoting cancer awareness through the "Relay For Life" and commending the Team Captains for coordinating and promoting this event.

1            **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN***  
2 ***GUÅHAN***:  
3            **WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Society's "Relay For Life" has become  
4 one of the most successful charitable events nationwide for over twenty (20)  
5 years; and

1           **WHEREAS**, it was in the mid 1980's that Dr. Gordy Klatt, a Tacoma  
2 Colorectal Surgeon, decided to raise money for the fight against cancer by  
3 doing something he loved – running marathons; and

4           **WHEREAS**, in May of 1985, Dr. Klatt raised his first Twenty-seven  
5 Thousand Dollars (\$27,000) for the fight against cancer by running and  
6 walking a total of eighty-three (83) miles within twenty-four (24) hours at  
7 Baker Stadium in Tacoma, Washington; and

8           **WHEREAS**, Dr. Klatt subsequently created a small committee to plan  
9 the first such relay team event, known as the "City of Destiny Classic 24-hour  
10 Run Against Cancer" which, in 1986, with nineteen (19) teams participating at  
11 the historic Stadium Bowl, raised Thirty-three Thousand Dollars (\$33,000);  
12 and

13           **WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Society's "Relay For Life" involves all  
14 facets of the community throughout the nation, including businesses,  
15 government agencies, individuals, and youth groups in one goal: to  
16 remember those who have lost the battle to cancer and to celebrate the brave  
17 men, women, and children who have survived cancer and continue to fight  
18 for a cure; and

19           **WHEREAS**, in 2005, our island youth produced thirty-four (34) teams to  
20 participate in the "Youth Relay For Life", that grossed over Thirty-three  
21 Thousand Dollars (\$33,000) and which preceded the "Relay For Life" that

1 featured than sixty (60) teams and grossed over Two Hundred Twenty-eight  
2 Thousand Dollars (\$228,000); and

3       **WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Society Guam Field Office mainly  
4 employs volunteers, and the money it raises is used for research, education,  
5 advocacy, and services to patients; and

6       **WHEREAS**, the success of the American Cancer Society's "Relay For  
7 Life" is due to the Team Captains who motivate their groups and volunteers  
8 to move our community towards a future where cancer *no* longer threatens  
9 our friends and family; and

10       **WHEREAS**, the American Cancer Society encourages a healthy life style  
11 through physical activity and proper nutrition in order to prevent cancer and  
12 save lives; now, therefore, be it

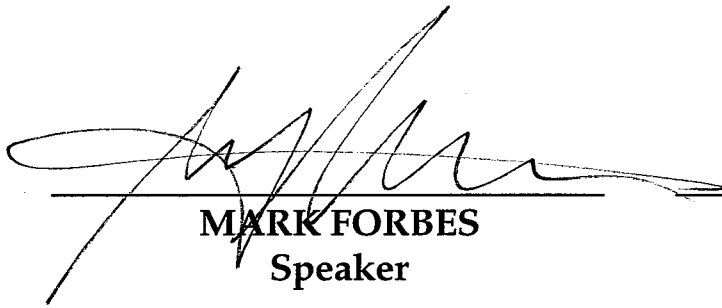
13       **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does  
14 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and extend a heartfelt *Si*  
15 *Yu'os Ma'ase'* to the American Cancer Society Guam Field Office for  
16 promoting cancer awareness through the "Relay For Life" and for its  
17 dedication to finding a cure, honoring cancer survivors, and remembering  
18 those who have lost their lives; and be it further

19       **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does  
20 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and commend the Team  
21 Captains for their hard work and commitment to ensuring the success of this  
22 event; and be it further

23       **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the  
24 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be

1 thereafter transmitted to Ms. Elaine Low, Executive Director of the American  
2 Cancer Society Guam Field Office; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I  
3 *Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA  
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 2<sup>ND</sup> DAY OF MAY 2007.**



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**MARK FORBES**  
Speaker



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**RAY TENORIO**  
Senator and  
Secretary of the Legislature