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

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Resolution No. 85(LS)

As amended.

Introduced by:

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Relative to congratulating the dedicated employees, management and the Board of Directors of the Jose D. Leon Guerrero Commercial Port as they celebrate their Thirty-second (32nd) Anniversary and observe October 22, 2007 through October 26, 2007 as "National Port Week".

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

2 GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, the Jose D. Leon Guerrero Commercial Port was established
as a public corporation and autonomous government agency on October 1975;
and

WHEREAS, over the last three (3) decades, our Port has provided full
 services to ocean passenger, cargo and fishing vessels who have called upon
 our seaport and has developed into a major transshipment center for the
 Western Pacific; and

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5 WHEREAS, the Port is the lifeline to our island and critical to our 6 country's national security. It is essential for the continued development of 7 our economy and the survival of the people of Guam due to our dependence 8 on imported goods including food, fuel, medical supplies, equipment and raw 9 materials; and

10 WHEREAS, in 2006, the Port moved about two million (2,000,000) 11 revenue tons of cargo and about seventy eight thousand, two hundred twenty 12 one (78,221) containers; and

WHEREAS, the three hundred twenty-five (325) dedicated and hardworking employees handle port operations as stevedores, cargo checkers, equipment operators, accountants, tariff specialists and managers for the five (5) cargo handling piers, a container yard, two (2) fuel piers, three (3) marinas and a harbor of refuge; and

18 WHEREAS, our Port services ships from around the world, over four 19 hundred (400) cargo vessels and more than seven hundred fifty (750) foreign-20 flagged fishing vessels annually; and

21 WHEREAS, despite its aging equipment, the Port has successfully 22 completed the annual Occupational Safety and Health Administration 23 inspection of all of its cargo handling equipment; and

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1 WHEREAS, over the past Fiscal Year, the Port has made significant 2 progress through the purchase of a forty (40) ton used mobile harbor crane, 3 the issuance of an Invitation for Bid for one new dockside container handling 4 gantry crane with the option of a second crane, and the Invitation for Bid for 5 the replacement of chain link fence with concrete masonry unit wall within 6 the Port compound; and

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WHEREAS, the Port has retained the consulting services of Parsons
Brinkerhoff International to update its Master Plan serving as the road
map for short term and long term plans for infrastructure development,
equipment acquisition, facility upgrades, and financing options in preparation
of the military buildup and beyond; and

12 WHEREAS, the Port received One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) in federal 13 grant monies to complete the Port's Comprehensive Vulnerability 14 Assessment, for the construction of a CMU wall for the northern perimeter of 15 the container yard, and for the acquisition of security screen equipment; and

WHEREAS, the Port completed the repairs and upgrades to F1 fuel pier,
fully restoring one of the Port's two (2) main fuel piers; and

18 WHEREAS, the Port stands ready to face the challenges ahead, 19 including the upcoming military build up for the relocation of eight thousand 20 (8,000) marines, their families and support services; and

21 WHEREAS, during "National Port Week" from October 22, 2007 22 through October 26, 2007, our Port will conduct a Public Awareness 23 Campaign which highlights the economic benefits gained from the Port's

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operations and their outstanding contributions towards the development of
 our island; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does
hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, congratulate and commend the
dedicated employees, management and the Board of Directors of the Jose D.
Leon Guerrero Commercial Port on their Thirty-second (32nd) Anniversary;
and be it further

8 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Bente Nuebi Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does 9 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize the importance of 10 "National Port Week" and encourage the people of our island to actively 11 participate in the many activities relating to the Thirty-second Celebration; 12 and be it further

13 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the 14 Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be 15 thereafter transmitted to Mr. Ken Tagawa, General Manager of the Jose D. 16 Leon Guerrero Commercial Port; to Mr. Monte Mesa, Chairman of the Jose D. 17 Leon Guerrero Commercial Port; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I* 18 *Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'BENTE NUEBI NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 8TH DAY OF OCTOBER 2007.

EDWARD J.B. CALVO Acting Speaker

RAY TENORIO Senator and Secretary of the Legislature

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