



Mayors' Council of Guam
Konsehelon Mahot Guåhan

July 13, 2009

The Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D
Speaker
Mina' Bente Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan
155 Hesler Street
Hagåtña, Guam 96932

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Dear Speaker,

Buenas yan Hafa Adai. Transmitted herewith for your information and file is a copy of **Resolution No. 2009-07** adopted by the members of the Mayors' Council of Guam.

Resolution No. 2009-07 "RELATIVE TO COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING REAR ADMIRAL WILLIAM D. FRENCH, UNITED STATES NAVY, ON HIS SECOND STAR PROMOTION TO REAR ADMIRAL UPPER HALF, AND TO EXPRESSING OUR SINCERE UN DANG'KULO NA SI YU'OS MA'ASE FOR HIS SUPPORT OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND THE MAYORS' COUNCIL OF GUAM."

Thank you for your attention regarding this matter. If you should have any questions or comments relative to the above resolution, please do not hesitate to call me.

Sincerely,

ANGEL R. SABLAN
Executive Director

cc: File/Chrono

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CERTIFICATION OF THE ADOPTION OF A MAYORS' COUNCIL RESOLUTION

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT RESOLUTION NO. 09-07 "RELATIVE TO COMMENDING AND CONGRATULATING REAR ADMIRAL WILLIAM D. FRENCH, UNITED STATES NAVY, ON HIS SECOND STAR PROMOTION TO REAR ADMIRAL UPPER HALF, AND TO EXPRESSING OUR SINCERE UN DANG'KULO NA SI YU'OS MA'ASE FOR HIS SUPPROT OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM AND THE MAYORS' COUNCIL OF GUAM" WAS DULY ADOPTED ON THE 6TH DAY OF MAY 2009.

VICE MAYOR LOUISE C. RIVERA, SECRETARY
Mayors' Council of Guam



MAYORS' COUNCIL OF GUAM

Resolution No. 09-07

Introduced By:

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1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MAYORS' COUNCIL OF GUAM:**

2 **WHEREAS**, Rear Admiral William D. French, assumed Flag command of the
3 U.S. Naval Forces Marianas, U.S. Defense Representative Guam, Commonwealth of the
4 Northern Mariana Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau in April
5 2007; and

6 **WHEREAS**, in the area of Personal Excellence Partnership, countless volunteer hours
7 were dedicated by the various commands under his leadership in the area of education, namely
8 tutoring in after school programs, Saturday Scholars programs, mentoring, and serving as role
9 models inside and outside of the classroom, all of which helped improve scholastic
10 achievement, social and life skills and provided vocational guidance; and

11 **WHEREAS**, in the areas of Health, Safety, and Fitness, countless volunteer hours were
12 dedicated by the various commands under his leadership by participating in projects that
13 included athletic events, health and safety awareness activities and programs, blood drives,
14 youth violence prevention programs and recreational programs, and especially the Guam
15 Special Olympics; and

16 **WHEREAS**, in the area of the Campaign for a Drug Free Flagship, commands under his
17 leadership reached out and taught about the dangers of drug abuse to the various public and
18 private school children at all grade levels, including but not limited to the Drug Education for
19 Youth, Drug Abuse Resistance Education and the Red Ribbon Campaign; and

20 **WHEREAS**, in the area of Project Good Neighbor Flagship, countless volunteer hours
21 were dedicated by the various commands under his leadership to special projects within our
22 community which included helping the less fortunate and strengthening and improving
23 community relations through food drives, repairs and renovations of our island's historical
24 sites, shelters, schools and homes; in addition Rear Admiral William D. French, in recognition of
25 the crucial role of education in our nation's future, matched every command with every village
26 and public school in a sister village and sister school status, thus making thousands of volunteer
27 sailors available to support ongoing school scholar projects and assist in the enrichment of

1 Guam's youth, setting the example of community service as a lifelong endeavor in which Sailor
2 and Guam's youth can develop leadership, character, and responsible citizenry; and

3 **WHEREAS**, in the area of Environmental Stewardship, countless volunteer hours were
4 dedicated by the various commands under the Admiral's leadership to programs that promoted
5 good environmental education and good stewardship of environmental resources; he
6 encouraged Navy commands to join with our communities to assist in the local environmental
7 initiatives, beautification projects, clean-ups, and restoration of environmental assets to include
8 the preservation and stewardship of numerous historic sites on Naval Base Guam including the
9 location of the former Village of Sumay and the Sumay cemetery; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Rear Admiral William D. French embraced the people of Guam for the
11 purpose of gaining new friendships and forging better understanding between the military and
12 the local communities, engaging often with residents as well as informally and officially with the
13 island's elected and business leadership; and

14 **WHEREAS**, Rear Admiral William D. French as well showed his commitment to the people of
15 Guam through his initiatives and dedication to enhancing the sailor/local veteran relationship and in
16 meeting the unique challenge of a resident military retiree population significantly larger per capita than
17 most regions and installations, the Admiral astutely balanced application of resources and skillfully
18 brought to fruition the initial stages of construction of a new \$5M Veterans Community Based Outpatient
19 Clinic in a location more accessible for Guam veterans; and;

20 **WHEREAS**, Rear Admiral William D. French skillfully guided the initial stages of the
21 move of US Marines from Okinawa in one of the largest peacetime build-ups in naval history
22 while striving to make the changes understandable to the people of Guam, in spite of its
23 incredible complexity and involvement of local, federal, and foreign governments with diverse
24 and complicated political, legal, and financial issues; and

25 **WHEREAS**, Rear Admiral William D. French's various commands deployed hundreds
26 of sailors in support of Operations IRAQI FREEDOM and ENDURING FREEDOM while
27 simultaneously developing benchmark programs and policies on how to sponsor and support
28 Sailors and their families before, during, and after deployment; and

29 **WHEREAS**, through his selfless actions, tireless efforts and unwavering commitment to
30 excellence in all his undertakings Rear Admiral William D. French received numerous awards,
31 recognitions, accolades and certificates from island's various civic, non-profit groups and

1 government organizations for his leadership and guidance and helping to improve the lives of
2 the people of Guam; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the Mayors' Council of Guam would also like to recognize his lovely wife
4 Monika, and his son Thomas and daughter Teressa for their love and support of their father
5 during his command on Guam, and the Mayors' Council wishes all of Gods goods blessings
6 and success for the entire French family as the Admiral assumes his new post as the
7 Commander of the Southwest Region, San Diego, California; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the Mayors' Council of Guam deeply and truly appreciates the efforts and
9 friendship of Rear Admiral William D. French in both his personal and official roles, and
10 recognizes that they have never encountered such an engaging and willing Naval officer of his
11 rank, and now therefore be it

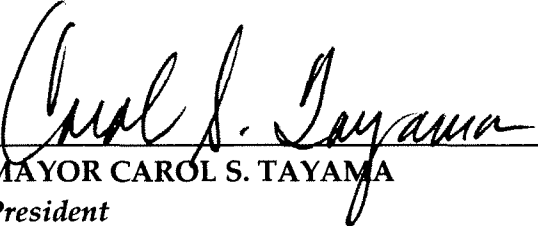
12 **RESOLVED**, that the Mayors' Council of Guam does hereby commend and congratulate
13 William D. French, Rear Admiral, United States Navy, on his second star promotion to Rear Admiral
14 upper half, and to express our sincere Un Dang'kulo na Si Yu'os Ma'ase for his support of the people of
15 Guam and the Mayor's Council of Guam: *and be it further*


16 **RESOLVED**, that the President certify to and the Council Secretary attests the adoption
17 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Rear Admiral William D.
18 French, the Secretary of the Navy, the Secretary of Defense; to the Speaker, *I Mina Trenta Na*
19 *Liheslaturan Guåhan*; and to *I Maga'låhen Guåhan*, the Governor of Guam.

DULY ADOPTED ON THE 6TH DAY OF MAY 2009.

CERTIFIED BY:

ATTESTED BY:


MAYOR CAROL S. TAYAMA
President


VICE MAYOR LOUISE C. RIVERA
Secretary