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October 27, 2014

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Office of the Speaker  
Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D

The Honorable Judith T. Won Pat, Ed.D.  
Speaker  
Mina Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan  
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Hagåtña, Guam 96932

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Dear Madam Speaker,

*Buenas yan Hafa Adai!* Transmitted herewith for your information and file are copies of Resolution Nos. 2014-001, 2014-002, 2014-003, 2014-004, 2014-005, and 2014-006, adopted by the members of the Association of Mariana Islands' Mayors, Vice Mayors & Elected Municipal Council Members (AMIM). The aforementioned Resolutions are as follows:

**Resolution No. 2014-001** Relative To Creating A Task Force From The CNMI And Guam Department Of Agriculture To Screen And Quarantine Livestock For Testing To Ensure That It's Safe For Export Between The Islands;

**Resolution No. 2014-002** Relative To Ensuring That The Rhinoceros Beetle And Fire Ants Be Aggressively Eradicated On The Island Of Guam So That the Rest Of The Marianas Is Protected From These Destructive Species;

**Resolution No. 2014-003** Relative To Supporting The Efforts Of The Management Of The A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority To Immediately Open And Implement The "Interim Commuter Passenger Terminal" To Improve The Movement Of Passengers Between The Mariana Islands;

**Resolution No. 2014-004** Relative To Establishing A Task Force For Bio-Security Between The Mariana Islands To Prepare For The Military Development And Build Up;

**Resolution No. 2014-005** Relative To AMIM Sponsoring A "Marianas Cultural Arts And Crafts And Herbal Festival";

**Resolution No. 2014-006** Relative To Requesting The Guam Department Of Agriculture Establish And Create A "Local" Meat Industry And The Purchase Of a USDA Certified Slaughter Facility;

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

Sincerely,

MAYOR MELISSA B. SAVARES  
AMIM President

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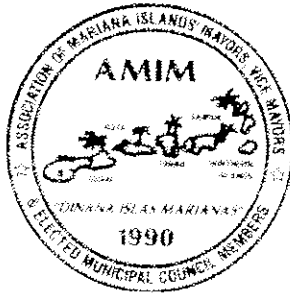
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Resolution No.  
Introduced By:

AMIM 2014-001  
Mayor Ramon Dela Cruz  
Mayor Rudy Matanane

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**RELATIVE TO CREATING A TASK FORCE FROM THE CNMI AND GUAM DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO SCREEN AND QUARANTINE LIVESTOCK FOR TESTING TO ENSURE THAT IT'S SAFE FOR EXPORT BETWEEN THE ISLANDS**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE AMIM 21<sup>ST</sup> GENERAL ASSEMBLY:**

**WHEREAS**, the AMIM requests the Guam and CNMI Invasive Species Council and both Guam and CNMI Department of Agriculture to include, but not limited to, the Bio-Security screening and quarantine for livestock (cattle, fighting game cocks, poultry, goats and domestic pets); and


**WHEREAS**, the AMIM requests both the Guam Invasive Species Council and the CNMI Department of Agriculture to each include individuals from either entities in their councils to fully represent the islands at any meeting called for such purpose, and to rename such group the Marianas Regional Invasive Species Council, now therefore be it

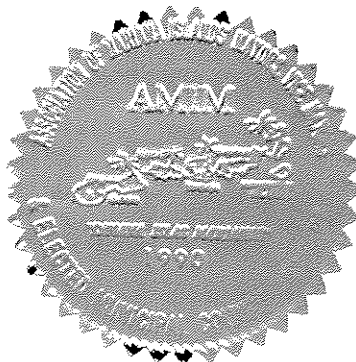
**RESOLVED**, that the President certify to and the Secretary attest to the adoption hereof and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Speaker of *I Mina Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*; and to *I Maga Låhen Guåhan*, the Governor of Guam and to the Governor of Northern Mariana Islands and the President of the CNMI Senate and the Speaker of the Legislature of the Northern Mariana Islands.

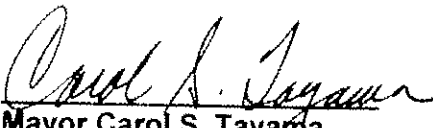
**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE AMIM TWENTY-FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON THE 24<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER 2014, IN GUAM.**

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Attested By:

  
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Mayor Melissa B. Savares  
President



  
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Mayor Carol S. Tayama  
Secretary





Resolution No. **AMIM 2014-002**  
Introduced By: **Mayor Rudy Matanane**  
**Mayor Joana Margaret Blas**  
**Mayor Doris Lujan**  
**Mayor Nonito Blas**  
**Chairman Ramon Camacho**  
**Councilwoman Antonia Tudela**  
**Councilman Diego Kaipat**

**RELATIVE TO ENSURING THAT THE RHINOCEROS BEETLE AND FIRE ANTS BE AGGRESSIVELY ERADICATED ON THE ISLAND OF GUAM SO THAT THE REST OF THE MARIANAS IS PROTECTED FROM THESE DESTRUCTIVE SPECIES.**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE AMIM 21<sup>ST</sup> GENERAL ASSEMBLY:**

**WHEREAS**, each Guam village Mayor to get residents of his/her community involved in eradicating the increase of the Rhino Beetle and Fire Ants population; and

**WHEREAS**, Mayors' Council of Guam (MCOG) requests a report from each village Mayor on what action was done to control the spread of the Rhinoceros Beetle and Fire Ants; and

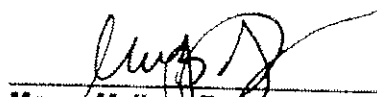
**WHEREAS**, upon compilation of all reports MCOG to prepare a resolution to the Guam Legislature to appropriate funds to the Department of Agriculture and University of Guam to eradicate this alarming problem; and

**WHEREAS**, the villages should share their "best practices" in terms of controlling, trapping and eradicating the Rhino Beetle and Fire Ants; and now therefore be it

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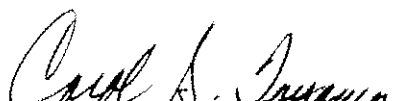
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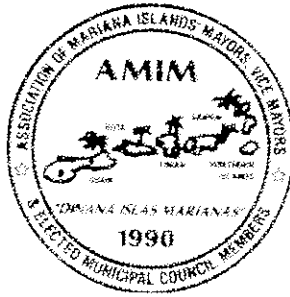
  
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Resolution No. **AMIM 2014-003**  
Introduced By: **Mayor Melchor Mendiola**  
**Mayor Ramon Dela Cruz**

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**RELATIVE TO SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF THE MANAGEMENT OF THE A.B. WONPAT INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY TO IMMEDIATELY OPEN AND IMPLEMENT THE "INTERIM COMMUTER PASSENGER TERMINAL" TO IMPROVE THE MOVEMENT OF PASSENGERS BETWEEN THE MARIANA ISLANDS.**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE AMIM 21<sup>ST</sup> GENERAL ASSEMBLY:**

**WHEREAS**, the Mariana Island travelers are in urgent need of a commuter terminal to accommodate direct frequent flights to and from Guam and between the Marians Islands;

**WHEREAS**, these are airline companies ready to activate direct flights to and from Guam; now therefore be it

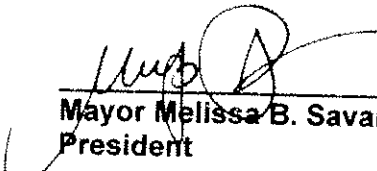
**RESOLVED**, that the AMIM urgently requests the A.B. Wonpat International Airport Authority to implement and operate the "Interim Commuter Passenger Terminal" at the A.B. Wonpat International Airport property; let it be further

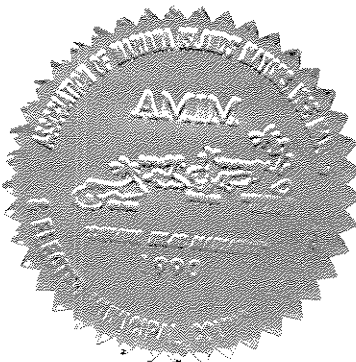
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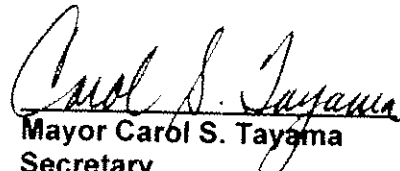
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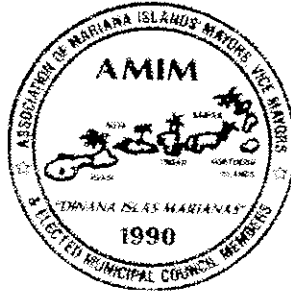
  
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Resolution No. **AMIM 2014-004**  
Introduced By: **Mayor Ramon Dela Cruz**  
**Mayor Rudy Matanane**

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**RELATIVE TO ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE FOR BIO-SECURITY BETWEEN THE MARIANA ISLANDS TO PREPARE FOR THE MILITARY DEVELOPMENT AND BUILD UP.**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE AMIM 21<sup>ST</sup> GENERAL ASSEMBLY:**

**WHEREAS**, the military buildup and development will affect all the islands of the Marianas and it is necessary to have a Bio-Security committee to ensure that any military development also takes into account the livelihoods and future of all the residents of the Marianas; and

**WHEREAS**, the Mayors, Vice Mayors and elected council members have always been supportive of the military and the economic benefits they bring to the Mariana Islands; and


**WHEREAS**, this support must be tempered with the importance of protecting the cultural artifacts and the environment of each of the islands; and

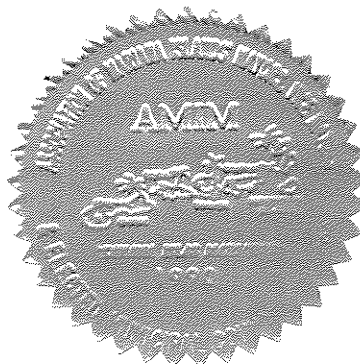
**WHEREAS**, protecting our culture and supporting the military is a win-win situation for both the military and the residents of our islands; now therefore be it

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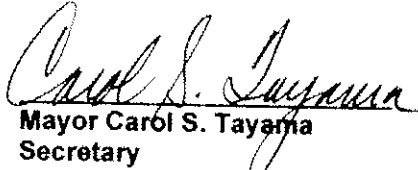
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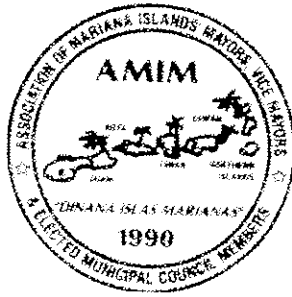
  
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**Resolution No.** AMIM 2014-005  
**Introduced By:** Mayor Paul M. McDonald  
Mayor Carol S. Tayama  
Vice Mayor Agustin Quintanilla  
Mayor Vicente Gumataotao  
Vice Mayor Kenneth Santos

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**RELATIVE TO AMIIM SPONSORING A “MARIANAS CULTURAL ARTS AND CRAFTS AND HERBAL FESTIVAL”,**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE AMIM 21<sup>ST</sup> GENERAL ASSEMBLY:**

**WHEREAS,** AMIM will organize and facilitate our ancestral practice of healing herbs and other cultural practices; and

**WHEREAS,** AMIM will promote the practice of language and arts of the Marianas; along with and in consonance with other local cultural indigenous language groups; and

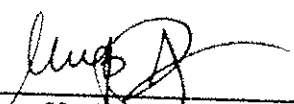
**WHEREAS,** AMIM will promote the manufacture and commercial distribution of our handicrafts and tools; and

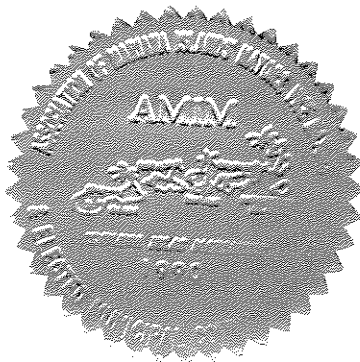
**WHEREAS,** AMIM will annually host the Marianas Cultural Arts and Crafts and Herbal Festival from island to island within the Mariana Islands to ensure that the host island’s display be fully appreciated by its residents, visitors and tourists; now therefore be it

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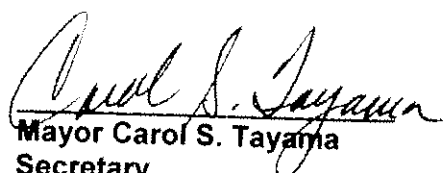
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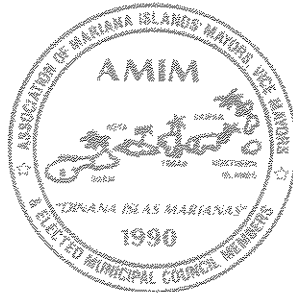
  
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**Resolution No. AMIM 2014-006**  
**Introduced By: Mayor Vicente Taitague**  
**Mayor Jessy Gogue**  
**Mayor Melchor Mendiola**  
**Vice Mayor Jesse Bautista**  
**Councilman Antonio Borja**

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**RELATIVE TO REQUESTING THE GUAM DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ESTABLISH AND CREATE A “LOCAL” MEAT INDUSTRY AND THE PURCHASE OF A USDA CERTIFIED SLAUGHTER FACILITY**

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE AMIM 21<sup>st</sup> GENERAL ASSEMBLY:**

**WHEREAS**, the meat processing industry has become more consolidated in recent years, resulting in the closure of many small processing plants across the United States, small family farmers who wish to market their livestock directly to consumers, restaurants and local stores often do not have USDA inspected processing facilities available within the island; and

**WHEREAS**, local farmers are raising cattle, pigs and poultry and have asked the various Mayors of Guam for assistance in kick starting the industry, the new industry for the island will create cheaper prices, provide fresh products, help the local economy and is inline with the “Buy Local” campaign; and

**WHEREAS**, providing small scale processing with stationary facility is an important component in rebuilding local and regional sustainable food systems; and

**WHEREAS**, the Slaughter facility must meet all USDA requirements — including for humane treatment of livestock — offering farmers the certification necessary to reach the broadest spectrum of markets in which to sell their products, the AMIM envisions a network of docking sites throughout the island of Guam providing farmers ready access to high quality and humane processing; and and

**WHEREAS**, it is the long-term goal of the program for communities to develop docking sites that will also function as “nodes” where a number of “community food enterprises” (CFEs) could be clustered, facilitating ease of marketing and distribution while also offering new areas of business growth for those communities and the CFEs may include meat aging and butchering facilities, cold storage for fruits and vegetables, and community kitchens for value-added products; and

**WHEREAS**, studies of livestock farming on Guam where small and mid-sized farms are geographically dispersed have shown that many farmers would increase their herds if they knew that they had readier access to processing services and the more pastured livestock, the more viable the producers, resulting in a greater contribution to local economies and the better opportunity to maintain a high-quality landscape; and

**WHEREAS**, as one of the trends in the food industry is the "local, traceable, sustainably raised products and the creation of the stationary facility unit will feed the demand from the industry, adopting the slogan "Raised by your neighbor, enjoyed by you"; and

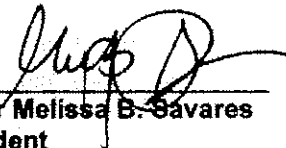
**WHEREAS**, financial grants, incentives and technical assistance programs are available through the U.S. Department of Agriculture and the U.S. Department of Interior and the AMIM respectfully requests the department acts accordingly; now therefore be it

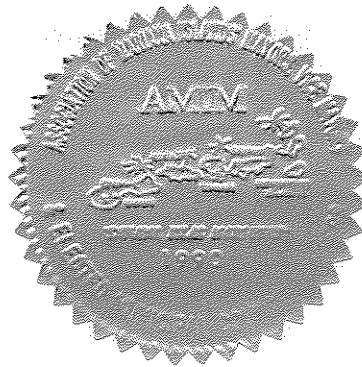
**RESOLVED**, that the AMIM is requesting the Guam Department of Agriculture establish and create a "local" meat industry and the purchase of a USDA certified Slaughter facility, let it be further

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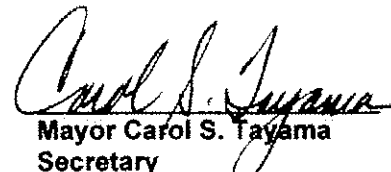
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