## I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN RESOLUTIONS

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## I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2024 (SECOND) Regular Session

Resolution No. 536-37 (LS)

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Relative to Congratulating One of Guam's Premier Bands, The Radiants, on the Occasion of its 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary as a Music Group.

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN 2 GUÅHAN: 3 WHEREAS, in 1964, best buddies Joaquin (Kin) Concepcion and Ric Castro, 4 both guitarists, formed a band with John Castro on drums, Tony Hyatt on bass guitar, 5 Bill Santos on keyboard and guitar, and vocalists Hubert Cruz and Richard McChord. 6 They named this band Radiance, and performed cover music from bands like The 7 Beatles and The Young Rascals; and 8 WHEREAS, in 1970, while Kin and Ric enlisted in the Army and served in the 9 Vietnam war, Radiance then consisted of Bill Santos, Mike Gomez on guitar, Dave 10 Pangelinan on bass guitar and Peter Leon Guerrero on drums; and 11 WHEREAS, in 1972, Kin and Ric returned to the band, Danny Mendiola on 12 bass, Dave Pangelinan on drums. The band then changed its name to The Radiants; 13 and

- 1 WHEREAS, in 1977, the band consisted of David Borja on bass guitar, Dave
- 2 Pangelinan on keyboards, Danny Blas on horns, Kin Concepcion on guitar and Mike
- 3 Franquez on the drums. During the latter part of this period, Joe "Bella' Borja played
- 4 keyboards and Mike DiAmore played saxophone, Joanne Salas and Joe Cruz filled out
- 5 the sound on vocals; and
- 6 WHEREAS, in 1978 and 1979, John "Bill" Leon Guerrero played saxophone,
- 7 and John Villagomez joined the band as the guitarist; and
- 8 WHEREAS, during 1980 through 1986, Joe Salas played guitar during the
- 9 temporary absence of John Villagomez. Dave Guevarra joined the band briefly and
- Ray Miranda would join as the keyboardist and vocalist; and
- WHEREAS, in 1987, Lynn Paulino joined as vocalist and Conrad Salvador
- 12 took over on keyboard.; and
- WHEREAS, in 1990, Louise Borja joined Lynn and Ray as front vocalist
- 14 making The Radiants a full eight member band and continued to perform in many
- 15 locations; and
- WHEREAS, in 2002, Kin Concepcion rejoined the band; and
- WHEREAS, in 2004, Rick Borja played bass after the passing of Dave Borja,
- and after Rick's passing, Eddie Boy Acfalle and Joe Palomo played bass until Mike
- 19 Rasmussen came on board; and
- WHEREAS, today, The Radiants continues with Mike Franquez on drums,
- 21 Lynn Paulino & Louise Borja on vocals, Mike Rasmussen on bass, Tom Bejado on
- 22 keyboard, and Lucas Cruz on guitar; and
- WHEREAS, over the years, many musicians have performed with The
- 24 Radiants, and among them are John Pangelinan, JT Taisague, Jeff Jereza, Mark
- 25 Eclavea, Ray Borja, Roland Franquez Sr., Roland Franquez Jr., Gil Franquez, Jesse
- 26 Franquez, Peter Franquez, Kinney Blas, Mario Borro, Danny Perez, Ray Chaco,
- 27 Roque Manglona, Roke Fegurgur, Albert "Brown" Mendiola, Robert Quenga, Joey
- 28 Franquez, Dudz Manlapas, Mely Giselle, and Joe Castro; and

WHEREAS, The Radiants has opened for and provided back up music for many legendary artists such as Johnny Sablan, Flora Baza Quan, JD Crutch, KC DeLeon Guerrero, Remy Toves, Frank Bokkongo Pangelinan, Jimmy Dee and many

4 others; and

WHEREAS, The Radiants has performed for countless events, including those sponsored by the Guam Visitors Bureau, the Guam War Survivors Memorial Foundation Sentimental Journey, various hotels in Guam and the Marianas, including numerous weddings, christenings, fiestas, village and government events, birthdays, retirements and funerals; and

WHEREAS, The Radiants was the GVB Choice Concert Band Award winners in 2007, was voted as the Best Cover Band and Best Dance band in 2009, were the Island Icon awardees for the Island Music Awards in 2012, and has been nominated as the Top 5 bands for Pika's Best; and

WHEREAS, The Radiants recorded two albums: By Request in 1998 and Encore in 2001 and was one of the selected bands featured in Budweiser's Bud World Party album recording their famous Cha Cha Medley; and

WHEREAS, since 1964, The Radiants has been through graduations, a war, marriages, divorces, children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, nightclubs and hotels, mourned deaths of members, and survived many typhoons and a pandemic. The Radiants developed a "sound and energy" that is distinct and recognizable, and although members have changed throughout the years, the music and legacy continue and will live on for many years to come. Now therefore, be it

**RESOLVED,** that *I Mina'trentai Siette Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, congratulates the members of The Radiants, past and present, on their 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, and thanks them for the many years of music that the people of Guam have enjoyed, and wishes them well as they continue a long legacy of providing entertainment to the people of Guam; and be it further

- 1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to,
- 2 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to The
- Radiants; and to the Honorable Lourdes A. Leon Guerrero, I Maga'hågan Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTAI SIETTE NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE DAY OF MONTH 2024.

THERESE M. TERLAJE Speaker AMANDA L. SHELTON Legislative Secretary