I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2009 (FIRST) Regular Session

Resolution No. 11 (COR)

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Relative to commending the Serve Guam! Commission and the Corporation for National and Community Service for hosting the 2009 Martin Luther King Day of Service Ceremonies on January 19, 2009, and to congratulating them for their efforts to improve lives, strengthen communities, and foster civic engagement through service and volunteerism.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I

2 MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

- 3 **WHEREAS**, the Serve Guam! Commission, along with the four (4)
- 4 AmeriCorps programs: Pa'a AmeriCorps; Micronesian Business Association

- 5 Impact Today!; Sanctuary, Incorporated; and the AmeriCorps University of
- 6 Guam Success Center, are hosts of the "2009 Martin Luther King Day of
- 7 Service" Ceremonies on Monday, January 19th, assisted by the Office of I
- 8 Maga'lahen Guåhan, in the promotion of volunteer involvement and civic
- 9 responsibility; and
- 10 WHEREAS, the AmeriCorps Success Center is, additionally, one of the
- 11 sponsors of an island-wide poster contest open to all public, private and
- 12 DODEA schoolchildren in kindergarten through 12th grade, in recognition of
- 13 the contributions made by the late Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., with
- 14 "Fulfilling the Dream" as the contest theme; and
- 15 WHEREAS, during the 1950s and '60s, Dr. King, the late civil rights
- 16 leader and Nobel Peace Prize winner, recognized the power of service to
- 17 strengthen our communities and bring people together to achieve common
- 18 goals; and
- 19 **WHEREAS**, the Martin Luther King Day of Service builds on that legacy
- 20 by transforming the federal and local holiday honoring Dr. King into a
- 21 national day of community service grounded in his teachings of nonviolence
- 22 and social justice; and
- 23 **WHEREAS**, the Martin Luther King Day of Service intends to transform
- 24 the federal and local holiday honoring Dr. King into a day in which people of
- 25 all ages and backgrounds come together to improve lives, bridge social

- 26 barriers, and move our nation closer to the "Beloved Community" that Dr.
- 27 King envisioned; and
- 28 WHEREAS, the Guam Volunteer Center of the Serve Guam! 29 Commission provides an effort to broaden a violence prevention initiative as 30 an alternative to violence, and serves unique partnerships with businesses, 31 non-profit organizations, faith-based entities, government, military, federal agencies and the community, to combine their strengths to leverage 32 community outreach and civic engagement on our island; now, therefore, be it 33 34 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'Trenta Na 35 Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the people of Guam, commend the Serve Guam! Commission and the four (4) 36 37 AmeriCorps Programs: Pa'a AmeriCorps; Micronesian Business Association-38 Impact Today!; Sanctuary, Incorporated; and the AmeriCorps University of 39 Guam Success Center, for improving lives, strengthening communities, and fostering civic engagement through service and volunteering; and be it further 40 41 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on 42 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and 43 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Guam Department of 44 Labor; to the Serve Guam! Commission; to Pa'a AmeriCorps; Micronesian 45 Business Association -Impact Today!; to Sanctuary, Incorporated; to the AmeriCorps University of Guam Success Center; and to the Honorable Felix 46 P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan. 47

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 13^{TH} DAY OF JANUARY, 2009.

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