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Resolution No. 8 (COR)

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Relative to posthumously commending and congratulating Retired Guam Police Department Lieutenant Howard Randolf Blas for his service to the people of Guam.

- BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I
- 2 MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:
- 3 WHEREAS, Retired Police Lieutenant Howard Randolf Blas, known
- 4 affectionately to his family as "Sonny" and as "Howie" by his fellow officers,

- 1 was born on December 13, 1943, to Jesus Salas Blas and Maria Ibasco Wolford
- 2 Blas from Yigo; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Blas was a loving brother to his siblings Robert,
- 4 Callie, Darlene, Bernard, and Betty, a loving husband to Maria Cruz Blas, and
- 5 a loving father to his children, Randy, Brian, Christopher and Nicola; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Blas served his country in the Unites States
- 7 Army for four (4) years, including a tour in Vietnam during the height of the
- 8 conflict; and
- 9 WHEREAS, he entered the Guam Police Department on February 9,
- 10 1969; and
- 11 WHEREAS, in September of 1969, then Police Officer Blas had the
- 12 distinction of handling a special assignment for President Ronald Regan's
- 13 visit to Guam; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Blas received numerous awards as an officer,
- 15 including one for outstanding performance of duty for complete, efficient and
- 16 comprehensive investigation; and
- 17 WHEREAS, during his time with the Guam Police Department,
- 18 Lieutenant Blas became one of the first officer, along with Officer Robert
- 19 Lizama, to receive full certification as a motorcycle trainer; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Lieutenant Blas retired on September 28, 1991, after twenty-
- 21 two (22) years of service as a Sgt II in the Guam Police Department; and

WHEREAS, upon his retirement, Lieutenant Blas continued to serve his 1 2 community by offering up his mechanic specialties, remaining an active 3 member at his parish, Santa Teresita Catholic Church; founded Gådao Preschool and Daycare along with his wife, a school with a unique and 4 specialized curriculum focusing on the Chamorro language and culture; and 5 6 most importantly, providing a temporary home for homeless residents, and 7 providing assistance with government and charitable programs; now, therefore, be it 8 9 RESOLVED, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, commend 10 Lieutenant Howard Randolf Blas for his service to the people of Guam both 11 12 during and after his time as a police officer; and be it further 13 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on 14 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof and

16 children; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*.

that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to his wife Maria and their

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DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THIS 9^{TH} DAY OF JANUARY, 2009.

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