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

Resolution No. 86 (COR)

Introduced by:

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Relative to congratulating Mr. Paul S. Tobiason, President, Recycling Association of Guam, on winning the award for the "2009 Guam Small Business Administration Home-Based Business Champion of the Year".

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I* 2 *MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN*:

3 WHEREAS, since coming to the island with the United States Coast 4 Guard in 1964, Mr. Paul S. Tobiason worked in the field of telecommunications with ITT World Communication, RCA GlobeCom, and
 MCI WorldCom; and

3 WHEREAS, now retired, Mr. Paul S. Tobiason and his wife, Kathrine, 4 along with their five (5) children and six (6) grandchildren, have dedicated 5 their time and efforts to a worthwhile program affecting Guam's local and 6 business community – recycling!; and

WHEREAS, originally formed in 1988, the Recycling Association of
Guam (R.A.G.) has been promoting alternatives for managing our waste and
educating our community on steps to create a more eco-friendly environment.
As a member and President of the Association, Mr. Paul S. Tobiason has
organized and participated in many roadside and beach cleanups, collecting
trash around the island; and

WHEREAS, in an effort to meet the association's goal of using alternative ways to manage waste, and to change the awareness of our environment and educate island residents about trash, Mr. Tobiason has spoken to various groups and students about Guam's waste problems and how recycling and composting could be better ways to handle what we discard; and

WHEREAS, out of his home in Chalan Pago, Mr. Paul S. Tobiason has been producing newsworthy information on topics involving the environment through a newsletter publication entitled, *RAG TIMES*. As a member of the non-profit organization, he has devoted his daily life to setting an example of

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1 waste minimization and conservation, both at home and within his 2 community. Together, he and his family of three (3) adults produce a single 3 bag of "discards" each month through the discovery of various ways to use or 4 recycle steel, aluminum, cardboard, food waste, paper, and plastic. These 5 same practices have been demonstrated to the business community, which 6 include other home-based businesses, in an effort to minimize waste as much 7 as possible; and

8 WHEREAS, Mr. Paul S. Tobiason has been at the forefront of the effort 9 to care for and protect our island's environment. As the need has grown for 10 the community to be more environmentally-conscious, he has been committed to taking his message to members throughout the community, particularly 11 12 businesses. Mr. Tobiason has been involved in policy development efforts, as he leads the Recycling Association of Guam in providing comments on 13 legislative bills that relate to the environment, solid waste management, waste 14 15 minimization, and litter control. His home is a living example of how a family 16 can reuse, reduce and recycle; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Paul Tobiason has been on a crusade for the last two (2) decades – a crusade which has earned him the honor of becoming this year's SBA Home-Based Business Champion of the Year, as a home-based business and a very valuable asset to the environmental awareness movement in Guam and its community; now, therefore, be it

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1 **RESOLVED**, that the Committee on Rules of I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of I Liheslaturan Guåhan and the 2 3 people of Guam, congratulate Mr. Paul S. Tobiason, President, Recycling 4 Association of Guam on winning the award for the "2009 Small Business 5 Administration Home-Based Business Champion of the Year", and does 6 further extend to him a sincere Un Dångkulo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse' for his 7 outstanding contributions for the betterment of our island community; and be 8 it further

9 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on 10 Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and 11 that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the Mr. Paul S. Tobiason, 12 President, Recycling Association of Guam; and to the Honorable Felix P. 13 Camacho, *I Maga'lahen Guåhan*. DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF *I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THIS 23RD DAY OF APRIL, 2009.

AMIX J.F. CRUZ Acting Speaker

ROR¥ J. RESPICIO Chairperson, Committee on Rules

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