I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2010 (SECOND) Regular Session

Resolution No. 345-30 (LS)

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Relative to honoring and recognizing Joseph L. Cabana on his illustrious career and outstanding record of accomplishments during his thirty-six (36) years of government service, thirty-three (33) of which were with the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

- 3 WHEREAS, in 1972, Joseph L. Cabana began his career in the
- 4 Government of Guam as a Treasury Cashier with the Department of
- 5 Administration; and
- 6 WHEREAS, Mr. Cabana worked at the Department of
- 7 Administration until 1976, and then took up a position at what was then
- 8 the Guam International Airport Authority, which was created as an
- 9 autonomous agency by its enabling legislation in 1976, after being a
- 10 division of the Department of Commerce; and
- 11 WHEREAS, Mr. Cabana first worked at the Airport Authority as an
- 12 Accounting Clerk III, and he maintained a steady upward mobility,
- 13 becoming an Accounting Tech Supervisor in 1981; and
- 14 WHEREAS, Mr. Cabana consistently displayed his aptitude for
- 15 finance, and in 1987, he was promoted to Accountant II, and then was
- 16 promoted again three (3) years later to Assistant Controller; and
- 17 WHEREAS, Mr. Cabana was a major player in significant milestones
- 18 of the Airport's development, from the first airport Terminal, that is now
- 19 known as the Commuter Terminal, to the second airport Terminal, that
- 20 was dedicated in 1982, at a cost of \$43 Million Dollars, and the current
- 21 terminal that was dedicated in 1998, at a cost of \$241 Million Dollars; and
- WHEREAS, in 2001, Mr. Cabana became the Chief Accountant for
- 23 the Airport Authority, earning the position of Controller; and

1 WHEREAS, Mr. Cabana, as Controller, was the head of the

2 Accounting Department and was responsible for financial and managerial

3 accounting. He helped the airport management interpret and

4 appropriately respond to accounting data; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Cabana played an integral role in the accountability

6 of public funds and capital improvement projects, to include the \$241

7 Million Dollar terminal expansion project, which to this date still remains

8 the largest capital improvement project in Guam; and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Cabana was also a part of the significant asset 10 growth through the transfer of one thousand four hundred twelve (1,412) 11 acres of former Naval properties to the Government of Guam, and the 12 transition of the Authority from being under a joint use airfield agreement 13 with the U. S. Navy, to the current structure of the Authority being the

civilian airfield operator in 1996; and

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2010, Mr. Cabana retired from his position as Controller of the A.B. Won Pat International Airport Authority; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*, on behalf of the people of Guam, does hereby recognize and congratulate Joseph L. Cabana, whose more than thirty-six (36) years of government service exemplifies his commitment and dedication to the people of Guam; and be

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- 1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary
- 2 attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter
- 3 transmitted to Joseph L. Cabana; to the A. B. Won Pat International Airport
- 4 Authority; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 26TH DAY OF APRIL 2010.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D Speaker TINAROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary