

I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN
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Relative to commending and congratulating Captain Jay S. Lewis, Executive Officer, Naval Base Guam, on the occasion of his retirement from the United States Navy after twenty-eight (28) years of active military service and to further extend an *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'áse'* for his leadership, accomplishment and dedication to our island and country.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED THAT I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN ON**
2 **BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:**

3 **WHEREAS**, Captain Jay S. Lewis arrived on Guam on April 7, 2006 with his wife
4 Maria and daughter Jade, and began his current tour of duty as a Naval Officer assigned to
5 Naval Base, Guam; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Lewis Graduated from Texas Tech University in 1983 with a
7 Bachelor's of Science Degree in Mechanical Engineering and earned his Masters Degree in
8 National Security Strategy from the Air Force War College in June 1999; and

9 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Lewis was commissioned through the Officer Candidate School
10 Program, his initial training included Surface Warfare Officer School and Diving/Salvage
11 Officer courses. After serving a tour of duty as Assistant First Lieutenant on board USS
12 CAMDEN (AOE 2), Captain Lewis attended Explosive Ordnance Disposal (EOD) training;
13 and

14 **WHEREAS**, the naval officer reported in 1987 to EOD Mobile Unit FIVE Subic Bay,

1 Philippines as Officer in Charge (OIC) EOD Mobile Unit FIVE DET SEVEN, deploying to
2 the Western Pacific on board USS MIDWAY (CV 64), also served as the OIC of several
3 detachments at EODMU FIVE to include the Parachute Insertion Capability DET and the
4 Mine Countermeasures Detachment that deployed for Operation DESERT SHIELD and
5 DESERT STORM; and

6 **WHEREAS**, upon returning from DESERT STORM, he was assigned as the
7 Assistant Operations Officer, and in 1991, Captain Lewis reported to EOD Mobile Unit SIX
8 DET Panama City, as OIC, responsible for ordnance clearance for the Gulf of Mexico and
9 RDT&E support at Coastal System Station for EOD and Mine Warfare developments.
10 Served as Executive Officer at EOD Mobile Unit FIVE in Guam, from 1996 to 1998 and as
11 Commanding Officer from 2002 to 2004, where he provided EOD support throughout the
12 Western Pacific; and

13 **WHEREAS**, Capt. Lewis' staff tours include assignment as EOD/Mine Warfare
14 Officer/Program Manager on the staff of Commander in Chief, U.S. Pacific Fleet and as the
15 Ordnance Officer at the Naval Magazine, Guam.

16 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Lewis completed an extended deployment to US Central Command
17 as the Chief of Operations (CHOPS) in the Joint Intelligence Operations Center (JIOC),
18 Mine Warfare augmentee, and while at COMINEWARCOM as the Assistant Chief of Staff
19 for Operations and Plans, and as Chief Staff Officer for Mobile Mine Assembly Group,
20 Corpus Christi, Texas, Captain Lewis has earned designation as a Surface Warfare Officer,
21 Special Operations Officer, Master EOD Technician, and Naval Parachutist; and

22 **WHEREAS**, Mr. Lewis earned the Joint Meritorious Unit Award, the Navy Unit
23 Commendation (two bronze stars), Meritorious Unit Commendation (three bronze stars),
24 and the Navy Battle "E" Efficiency Award, as well as the following in his distinguished
25 career ; and

26 **WHEREAS**, Captain Jay S. Lewis' stellar performance as Executive Officer,

1 Operations Officer and Diving Officer, U.S. Naval Base Guam rejuvenated the Base and
2 solidified a professional team of officers and Sailors into an effective fighting force. His
3 scope of responsibility in these three billets included Base Operations Services for Navy
4 installations located on several locations comprising 22,000 acres of land, as well as logistics
5 support to operational units of the FIFTH and SEVENTH Fleets. Under his astute
6 leadership, the installation rose to new levels of mission accomplishment and operational
7 readiness; and

8 **WHEREAS**, During Mr. Lewis' tenure as Executive Officer, Naval Base Guam saw
9 an unprecedented 447 ship visits, including 111 USS ship visits, his exceptional guidance,
10 forward thinking, and innovative use of resources ensured six event free port visits of both
11 CV and CVN battle groups as well as five amphibious ready groups. Maximizing use of
12 valuable land, sea, and air training spaces as well as the Western Pacific's only live fire
13 range, he was responsible for the outstanding total support, including logistics, transient
14 housing, communications, supply, and port operations, provided for Tandem Thrust '06
15 involving the militaries of three nations, eleven ships, and 8,000 Sailors and Soldiers; and

16 **WHEREAS**, Captain Lewis was a Leader in the Joint regionalization initiative with
17 AAFB, and a key member of the Joint Regional working groups, which was developed to
18 guide the joining of installation management functions between the Navy and Air Force on
19 Guam as required by BRAC law; and

20 **WHEREAS**, Capt. Lewis developed a solid civilian-military relationship on Guam
21 via clear and concise communications; illustrated examples include water outages that
22 directly impacted Guam citizens, to environmental concerns, he ensured that the U.S. Navy
23 acted in a fair, responsive, and respectful manner; and

24 **WHEREAS**, His forthright and open dialog created a foundation of trust and mutual
25 respect with civilian leadership, which paid off immeasurably following the disclosure to
26 move 8,000 Marines and their families from Okinawa to Guam; and

1 **WHEREAS**, Captain Lewis' superb leadership, innovative solutions, and shore
2 installation management acumen reinstated U.S. Naval Base Guam as the Pacific Fleet's
3 finest supply, ordnance, and logistics hub, His selfless actions, tireless efforts, and
4 unwavering commitment to excellence led to cost savings and enhanced personnel and
5 operational readiness; and

6 **WHEREAS**, Captain Lewis, his wife Maria and daughter Jade have come to share an
7 endearing affection for the island and have purchased a residence in the southern village of
8 Santa Rita and will become welcomed members of our civilian community; now, therefore,
9 be it

10 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the
11 people of Guam, commend and congratulate Captain Jay S. Lewis, Executive Officer, Naval
12 Base Guam, on the occasion of his retirement from the United States Navy after twenty-
13 eight (28) years of active military service; and be it further

14 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the
15 people of Guam, further extend an *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to Captain Lewis and
16 family for his leadership, accomplishment and dedication to our island and country as an
17 Officer in the United States Navy; and be it further

18 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption
19 hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter be transmitted to Captain Jay S. Lewis and
20 family, recipient; to Rear Admiral William D. French, Commander, Joint Region Marianas,
21 to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Member of Congress (D-Guam); and to the
22 Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN
GUÅHAN ON THIS ____ DAY OF JUNE, 2009.**

Judith T. Wonpat
Speaker

Tina Rose Muna-Barnes
Legislative Secretary