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Relative to recognizing and commending the volunteers of the Guam-CNMI Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) for their hard work in developing and promoting employer support for Guard and Reserve service members by advocating relevant initiatives, recognizing outstanding support, increasing awareness of applicable laws, and resolving conflict between employers and service members.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN

2 GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, the vision of the Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve 1 2 (ESGR) organization is to develop and promote a culture in which all American 3 employers support and value the military service of their employees, with ESGR as the Principal Advocate for the U.S. Department of Defense (DoD); and 4 WHEREAS, September 12 through September 16, 2011, has been proclaimed 5 6 nationally and in Guam, as "Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve Week"; and WHEREAS, the tenth (10th) anniversary of the 9/11 attacks in New York City 7 and the Pentagon has reminded us that thousands of our fellow citizen-service 8 9 members continue to serve and maintain constant vigilance in order to protect our 10 American way of life; and 11 WHEREAS, standing tall among these troops are our nation's National Guard 12 and Reserve forces, who continue to serve our island and country with distinction. 13 Our National Guardsmen and Reservists continue to serve on active duty on every 14 front of the Global War on Terror; and 15 WHEREAS, almost half of our military force resides in the Reserve 16 Component, which is comprised of the National Guard and Reserve; and WHEREAS, the organization, the Guam-CNMI Committee for Employer 17 Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR), and its volunteers and employers, support 18 19 this effort and provide a degree of comfort for members of the National Guard and Reserve so they can focus on their military mission without worrying about their 20 civilian jobs back at home; and 21 22 WHEREAS, some of the ESGR's goals are: to gain and maintain support from employers of Guard and Reserve Service Members; to educate customers and 23 24 stakeholders; and to continue to refine the ESGR organization for relevancy, 25 effectiveness and efficiency; and

1 WHEREAS, the people of Guam are grateful to many of our island's 2 employers for their support of the Guard and Reserve members, and their families. Together, our National Guard and Reserve forces and their employers are united in 3 4 purpose and reflect the highest standards of professionalism and honor; now therefore, be it 5 6 **RESOLVED,** that I Mina Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and commend the volunteers of the 7 8 Guam-CNMI Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) for their hard work and for the vital role they play; and does further extend Un 9 10 Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'ase to the many employers within our community who have gone beyond the legal requirements to ensure that their employees are able to 11 12 simultaneously serve their country and their chosen career; and be it further **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, 13 the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to 14 15 Commander Jonathan Montilla, Commanding Officer of the U.S. Navy Operational 16 Support Center Guam; to Captain Casey Smith, Commanding Officer of the U.S. 17 Coast Guard Marianas Sector; to Major General Benny M. Paulino, Adjutant General of the Guam National Guard; to Major Anthony San Nicolas, Commander 44th Aerial 18 Port Squadron of the U.S. Air Force Reserve; to First Lieutenant Robert Reves, 100th 19 Infantry Battalion of the U.S. Army Reserve; to Colonel Robert Loynd, Commander 20 21 of the U.S. Marine Forces Pacific; to Mr. David Sablan, State Chair, ESGR Guam-

CNMI Committee; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, I Maga'lahen Guåhan.

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DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THE 29TH DAY OF AUGUST 2011.

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Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES

Legislative Secretary