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Relative to recognizing and commending Senior Special Agent Hoang M. Nguyen of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) Guam Field Office for his accomplishments and contributions; and to further extending a sincere *Un Dangkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to him, and to wish him well on his next duty assignment.

- 1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY *I MINA'TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN***
2 ***GUÅHAN*:**
3 **WHEREAS**, Special Agent Hoang M. Nguyen's earliest connection to
4 Guam traces back to 1975, when he and his family were evacuated from Vietnam

1 after the fall of Saigon, along with thousands of Vietnamese refugees who were
2 brought to Guam and the United States, in “Operation New Life”; and

3 **WHEREAS**, although Special Agent Nguyen’s stay on Guam was a short
4 one, those were his first footsteps on Guam and on American soil; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Special Agent Nguyen returned to Guam on December 30,
6 2001, to serve with the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives
7 (ATF) Guam Field Office as a Senior Special Agent; and

8 **WHEREAS**, upon his return to Guam, Special Agent Nguyen was now an
9 experienced Special Agent who had a wealth of experience in the prosecution of
10 federal criminal violations, and also had specialized skills that were related to the
11 dismantling of organized street gangs and the apprehension of violent criminals;
12 and

13 **WHEREAS**, after the destruction of Super Typhoon *Chata’an*, Typhoon
14 *Halong*, and Super Typhoon *Pongsona* in 2002, Special Agent Nguyen
15 volunteered to remain on Guam to provide essential support to the office, and the
16 residents of Guam, while the other employees were temporary re-located to Hawaii
17 while the island recovered from the aftermath of the storms; and

18 **WHEREAS**, as the island recovered, Special Agent Nguyen continued
19 building his reputation in the law enforcement community as an investigator that
20 would pursue criminal organizations to successful prosecutions; and

21 **WHEREAS**, as his reputation grew among investigators and officers, his
22 standing with the prosecutors expanded, both at the U.S. Attorney’s Office, as well
23 as with the Guam Attorney General’s Office, where he became known for his
24 unparalleled and unmatched work ethics; and

25 **WHEREAS**, due to this reputation, Special Agent Nguyen was instrumental
26 in the establishment of the federal participation in Guam’s Violent Street Crimes

1 Task Force, whereby his leadership led to the establishment of Memorandums of
2 Understanding that brought needed resources to the Task Force; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the major contribution that Special Agent Nguyen brought to
4 the Task Force was his mentoring of the newer investigators on how to conduct
5 investigations in a professional and humane way, and that served the residents of
6 Guam well; and

7 **WHEREAS**, his efforts not only led to the successful prosecution of
8 countless violent criminals, it was also the example that he set through his work
9 ethics that has influenced a generation of investigators on Guam and the CNMI;
10 and

11 **WHEREAS**, upon completing his tour of duty here on Guam and in the
12 CNMI, Special Agent Nguyen will be departing for his new duty assignment in
13 Las Vegas, Nevada; and

14 **WHEREAS**, if one thing can be said about Special Agent Nguyen, it is that
15 he treated every person the same way, without consideration of their personal
16 history, and always with integrity and respect; and

17 **WHEREAS**, Special Agent Hoang M. Nguyen has served the people of
18 Guam honorably for over a decade, and his influence will be felt for many years to
19 come; now therefore, be it

20 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trentai Unu Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does
21 hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and commend Senior Special
22 Agent Hoang M. Nguyen for his many accomplishments and contributions ; and
23 does further extend a sincere *Un Dângkolo Na Si Yu'os Ma'åse'* to him, and wish
24 him well on his next duty assignment; and be it further

25 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest
26 to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to

- 1 Senior Special Agent Hoang M. Nguyen; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo,
- 2 *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan.*

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY *I MINA' TRENTAI UNU NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN* ON THIS 27TH DAY OF APRIL 2012.



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