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BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, in 1775, two hundred thirty-eight years ago, our Nation’s leaders established the Continental Marines, beginning a rich heritage of successfully defending our country and its citizens; and
WHEREAS, the Continental Marines, which became the United States Marine Corps, was established as the Revolutionary War was underway, and was commanded by Major Samuel Nicholas; and

WHEREAS, from its birth in Tun Tavern to the present, the U.S. Marine Corps has forged a proud history in defending the Nation with honor and distinction in all its many wars and armed conflicts, most notably in the Civil War, World War I, World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War, Panama, Grenada, the Persian Gulf War, and currently in our peace mission in East Timor, in Indonesia, Bosnia, Africa, Kosovo, and the Global War on Terrorism (Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom); and

WHEREAS, the 3rd Marine Division and the 1st Provisional Marine Brigade played a major role in liberating Guam from enemy occupation in World War II, making the people of Guam forever grateful to the Marine Corps for its part in the island’s liberation many years ago; and

WHEREAS, since the end of World War II, thousands of Guam’s young men and women have joined the U.S. Marine Corps and have distinguished themselves for their valor and dedication, some of whom have sacrificed their lives in war conflicts in regions around the world; and

WHEREAS, this 238th birthday commemorates the U.S. Marine Corps, its warriors, families and civilians, who are achieving a level of excellence that is truly Semper Fi (Always Faithful); and

WHEREAS, we also celebrate the people of Guam’s steadfast support of our warriors and families; and

WHEREAS, the principles of democracy and freedom, as documented in the Constitution of the United States, are what the U.S. Marine Corps stands ready to protect and defend for its citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Marine Corps has continued its tradition of innovation to meet the challenges of an ever changing environment; and
WHEREAS, today’s Marine Corps stands ready to continue in the proud tradition of those who so valiantly fought and died at Belleau Wood, Iwo Jima, the Chosin Reservoir, and Khe Sanh. Combining a long and proud heritage of faithful service to the nation, with the resolve to face tomorrow’s challenges, will continue to keep the U.S. Marine Corps as the “best of the best”; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that I Mina’Tretnai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, honor and congratulate the numerous service members of the United States Marine Corps (active, reserve and retirees) on the celebration of the U.S. Marine Corps’ 238th birthday on November 10, 2013, and recognize them for their tremendous service in the defense of freedom of Guam and the United States of America; and does further extend a heartfelt Un Dångkolo Na Si Yu’os Ma’åse’ to the warriors and their families for their contributions and dedication to our community and the people of Guam; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Colonel Philip J. Zimmerman, Officer-in-Charge, Marine Corps Activity - Guam; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Guam Delegate to the U.S. House of Representatives; and to the Honorable Edward J.B. Calvo, I Maga’lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA’TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE 5TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2013.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D. Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES Legislative Secretary