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Relative to commending the “Peace Officers’ Memorial Day” Subcommittee for holding a Fallen Officers Memorial Ceremony on “Peace Officers’ Memorial Day” for over forty-five (45) years; and to further recognizing the Subcommittee for its steadfast commitment to remembering Guam’s fallen peace officers and their families.

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

WHEREAS, “Peace Officers’ Memorial Day” and “Police Week” were first recognized in the United States in 1961, when President John F. Kennedy signed Public Law 87-54. Concurrently, a Joint Resolution of Congress established May
14, 1962, as “Peace Officers’ Memorial Day,” which also honors peace officers killed or disabled while serving their communities; and

WHEREAS, “Police Week” was scheduled to be observed from May 13 to May 19, 1962; and as a result of the enthusiastic public and police response, President Kennedy signed Public Law 87-726 in October 1962, making these observances an annual event; and

WHEREAS, “Peace Officers’ Memorial Day” is now always observed on May 15, with “Police Week” celebrated in the calendar week that includes that date; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Police Department, which was formerly the Department of Public Safety, started the observance of “Peace Officers’ Memorial Day” on May 15, 1967, after the death of Patrolman Juan M. Santos, who was killed in the line of duty on July 21, 1966; and

WHEREAS, an important feature of the “Peace Officers’ Memorial Day” events is the recognition of the families of fallen officers, and that they be reminded of the law enforcement community’s continued support; and

WHEREAS, the families of fallen officers serve as an example of courage and bravery to the law enforcement community, and they deserve to be included in the event; and

WHEREAS, for many years, the Guam Police Department has organized, and continues to organize, several events through a “Police Week” Committee during the months leading up to May 15, which includes the subcommittee for “Peace Officers’ Memorial Day”; and

WHEREAS, the “Police Week” Committee and the “Peace Officers’ Memorial Day” Subcommittee, without any regular sponsors or dedicated source of funding, successfully holds a solemn and memorable ceremony each and every
year for the families of Guam’s fallen officers and Guam’s law enforcement community; and

WHEREAS, I Mina’Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan, on behalf of the people of Guam, expresses its gratitude to the “Peace Officers’ Memorial Day” Subcommittee for its steadfast commitment to honoring Guam’s fallen peace officers, and their families, so that their ultimate sacrifice is never forgotten; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that I Mina’Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guåhan does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, recognize and commend the “Guam Peace Officers’ Memorial Day” Subcommittee for its tireless efforts in remembering and paying homage to Guam’s fallen officers and their families each and every year on “Peace Officers’ Memorial Day” on May 15; and does further extend Un Dåŋkolo Na Si Yu’os Ma’åse’ to the “Peace Officers’ Memorial Day” Subcommittee and the “Police Week” Committee for its efforts in ensuring that the ultimate sacrifice of these fallen peace officers is never forgotten, and that the families of Guam’s fallen peace officers will always have the support and gratitude of the law enforcement 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 the Guam Police Department; 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 9TH DAY OF MAY 2014.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, Ed.D.  
Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES  
Legislative Secretary