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

WHEREAS, I Liheslaturan Guåhan honors our island’s veterans for their unwavering commitment to the island and this nation; and

WHEREAS, our island’s veterans deserve to receive consistent, quality service and disability benefits; and

WHEREAS, any lapse in these services for our heroes is a failure on our part to do our jobs as island leaders, and leaders of this great nation; and

WHEREAS, providing support of the “Honoring Our Promise to America’s Veterans Act,” provides support to our island’s veterans with the important benefits they have earned for their service and their sacrifices;
and

WHEREAS, the following sums are hereby appropriated, out of any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated, and out of applicable corporate or other revenues, receipts, and funds, for veterans benefits for fiscal year 2014, and for other purposes; and

WHEREAS, SEC. 101. (a) Amounts are provided for entitlements and other mandatory payments whose budget authority was provided in the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2013 (division E of Public Law 113–6), to continue activities at the rate to maintain program levels under current law, under the authority and conditions provided in the applicable appropriations Act for fiscal year 2013, to be continued through the date specified in section 103(3). (b) Notwithstanding section 103, obligations for mandatory payments due on or about the first day of any month that begins after October 2013 but not later than 30 days after the date specified in section 103(3) may continue to be made, and funds shall be available for such payments; and

WHEREAS, SEC. 102. Amounts are provided for “Department of Veterans Affairs—Departmental Administration—General Operating Expenses, Veterans Benefits Administration” at a rate for operations of $2,455,490,000: Provided, that such amount shall be made available subject to the authority and conditions as provided under the Military Construction
WHEREAS, SEC. 103. Unless otherwise provided for in this joint resolution or in the applicable appropriations Act for fiscal year 2014, appropriations and funds made available and authority granted pursuant to this joint resolution shall be available until whichever of the following first occurs: (1) the enactment into law of an appropriation for any project or activity provided for in this joint resolution; (2) the enactment into law of the applicable appropriations Act for fiscal year 2014 without any provision for such project or activity; or (3) December 15, 2013; and

WHEREAS, SEC. 104. It is the sense of Congress that this joint resolution may also be referred to as the "Honoring Our Promise to America’s Veterans Act". This joint resolution may be cited as the "Veterans Benefits Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2014"; now therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that I Mina’Trentai Dos Na Liheslaturan Guahan does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, request President Barack Obama and members of the United States Senate to support the "Honoring Our Promise to America’s Veterans Act," which provides funding to process and delivery disability claims and services for our veterans until December 15, 2013; and
may be cited as the "Veterans Benefits Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2014;" and be it further;

RESOLVED, that the Speaker and the Chairperson of the Committee on Rules certify, and the Legislative Secretary attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to the U.S. President Barack Obama; the Honorable Harry Reid, Majority Leader of the U.S. Senate; the Honorable Bernie Sanders, Chairman of Veteran’s Affairs Committee; the Honorable Eric K. Shinseki, the Secretary of Veterans Affairs; the Honorable John Culberson, Chairman of Subcommittee on Military Construction; the Honorable Madeline Z. Bordallo, Guam Delegate to the U.S. Congress; and to the Honorable Edward B. Calvo, l Maga’lahen Guåhan.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMITTEE ON RULES OF I MINA’TRENTAI DOS NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THE _________ DAY OF OCTOBER 2013.

JUDITH T. WONPAT, Ed D
Speaker

RORY J. RESPICIO
Chairperson, Committee on Rules

TINA ROSE MUÑA-BARNES
Legislative Secretary