

**I MINA' TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN
2009 (First) REGULAR SESSION**

Resolution No. 82 (COR)

Introduced by:

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Relative to proclaiming the week of May 10 to May 16, 2009, as "Hospital Week" with the theme "A Healthy Commitment in Changing Times", and to honor hardworking hospital workers, health practitioners and caring professionals in their dedication and exemplary care for all patients of Guam Memorial Hospital Authority.

BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA' TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN:

WHEREAS, "Hospital Week is a time to honor the caring professionals who devote their talents to healing the sick; and

WHEREAS, this year's National Hospital Week is scheduled for May 10 to 16, 2009, with the theme: "A Healthy Commitment in Changing Times"; and

WHEREAS, the hard working people that comprise our hospital staff deserve universal respect and appreciation for keeping our community healthy. Those employees, physicians and volunteers are dedicated professionals who strive daily to ensure that our patients receive quality healthcare; and

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WHEREAS, "*NATIONAL HOSPITAL WEEK*" honors all employees, from those who prepare meals and ensure a healthy environment for patients, to those who develop treatment plans and provide direct patient care; and

WHEREAS, our hospital provides all customary acute care services and certain specialty services that include adult and pediatric medical services; inpatient and outpatient surgery; intensive care (neonatal, pediatric and adult); skilled nursing care; laboratory and comprehensive blood bank services; radiology, nuclear medicine and CT scan diagnostic services; pharmacy, respiratory care; renal dialysis; physical, occupational, speech, language pathology and recreational therapy; dietetic services and 24-hour emergency services; and

WHEREAS, other services available on site include MRI; the capability of tele-radiology for CT scans to allow discussion of cases with Hawaii physicians via a tele-network; orthopedic and cardiology consults; EEG; echocardiogram and cardiac diagnostic studies such as cardiac catheterization. GMHA currently made available Open Heart Surgery twice a year with the assistance of the physician's from Modesto, California. GMHA is presently certified by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMMS) formally known as the Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), and its Laboratory is accredited by the College of American Pathologists (CAP); and its mammography machine is certified by the American College of Radiology; and

WHEREAS, the American Hospital Association has proclaimed May 10 to 16, 2009, as **National Hospital Week** with the theme: "*A Healthy Commitment in Changing Times*"; and the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority has always been "committed to excellence in health and caring *for* the people of our community", now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that *I Mina' Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on behalf of the people of Guam, commend the hardworking employees of our hospital who deserve universal respect and appreciation for keeping our community healthy; and be it further

RESOLVED, that *I Mina' Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan*, on behalf of the people of Guam and the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority, join other hospitals across the nation to celebrate "Hospital Week", a time to honor those island residents who daily devote their time and talent to healing the sick. The employees, physicians and volunteers serving Guam's Hospital are among the finest health care professionals to be found anywhere ; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify, and the Secretary of the Legislature attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter transmitted to Guam Memorial Hospital Authority Administrator; to the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Guam Memorial Hospital Authority; to the Guam Memorial Hospital Employees Association; to the Honorable Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Member of Congress to the United States House of Representatives; and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga' Låhen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA' TRENTA NA
LIHESLATURAN GUÁHAN ON THE ____ DAY OF APRIL 2009.**

JUDITH T. WONPAT, Ed.D
Speaker

TINA ROSE MUÑA-BARNES
Senator and
Secretary of the Legislature