



BEFORE THE 2010 JUDICIAL COUNCIL OF GUAM  
RESOLUTION NO. JC 10-007

RELATIVE TO COMMENDING THE JUDICIARY OF GUAM, THE DISTRICT COURT OF GUAM AND THE GUAM BAR ASSOCIATION FOR A JOB WELL DONE IN CELEBRATING LAW WEEK 2009

- WHEREAS,** the Judiciary of Guam, the District Court of Guam, and the Guam Bar Association co-hosted a series of events from that brought thousands of citizens together to celebrate the rule of law; and
- WHEREAS,** The Law Week Committee includes the following members of the GBA and court personnel: Cynthia Ecube, Esq., President of the Guam Bar Association, Rodney Jacob, Esq. co-chair for the GBA, Danielle Rosete, Esq., co-chair for the Judiciary, Maria Cenzon, Esq., Ana Maria Gayle, Esq., Dana Gutierrez, Esq., Minakshi Hemlani, Esq., Rebecca Perez-Santo Tomas, Esq., Rawlen Mantanona, Esq., Joleen F. Respicio, Tricia Taimanglo, Monica Wusstig, Dina Jacob, and Amanda S. Wooley; and
- WHEREAS,** The Judicial Council commends the members of the committee for their outstanding efforts towards strengthening and expanding the rule of law and recognize their significant achievements which include the following:
- \* A joint Press Conference with all three branches of the Government of Guam issuing a Law Day Proclamation;
  - \* GBA sponsored a golf tournament to benefit LASH, Inc. – a non-profit charity of the GBA designed to assist *pro se* litigants, many of whom cannot afford to retain private counsel or do not qualify for court-appointed or free legal services, by providing them with forms, guides and other resources to allow them adequate access to the legal process;
  - \* Involvement of kindergarten and middle school students to participate in the celebration by performing fairy tale mock trials mixed with laughter and learning throughout Law Week;
  - \* A Law Week Essay Contest for Grades 6-8 and grades 9-12;
  - \* A Law Week Art Contest for Grades K-5;
  - \* Appellate Oral Argument held at the Guam Community College Multi-Purpose Auditorium, open to all GCC students as well as all members of the public;
  - \* Organization of a 5-kilometer race entitled “Race Judicata,” held on April 25, 2009;
  - \* Arrangement of local and federal courthouse tours for the public during law week;
  - \* A Law Day Naturalization Ceremony and Citizenship Outreach Program held on May 1, 2009;
  - \* Appearance on news and radio talk shows throughout the month of April 2009 to inform the public of the importance of Law Day and the Rule of Law;
  - \* Preparation of media write-ups from the legal and law enforcement community, various non-profit organizations and court-related community partners about the services provided which were featured during the month of April 2009 in the Pacific Daily News;
  - \* Organization of a Law Fair at the Micronesia Mall, involving members of the legal and law enforcement community, various non-profit organizations and court-related community partners to come together to participate in a series of weekend community events designed to educate the public about the services provided by these members;
  - \* Presentation of the prestigious *Husticia* Award (modeled on the ABA’s Liberty Award) to Guam Supreme Court Justice Janet Healy Weeks;
  - \* Visits and speeches by President Abraham Lincoln, by national award-winning portrayer Mr. James Conine, who visited schools, business clubs and participated in Law Day activities; and
  - \* State of the Judiciary Address by the Honorable Chief Justice Robert J. Torres, Jr., delivered on the premises of *I Liheslaturan Guahan*.
- WHEREAS,** The American Bar Association awarded the Guam Bar Association, the Judiciary of Guam and District Court of Guam with the 2009 Outstanding Law Day Activity Award at the American Bar Association Mid-Year meeting;
- WHEREAS,** The Law Week Committee members accomplishments are numerous, significant, and worthy of recognition and commendation;
- NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,** that the Judicial Council congratulates and commends the committee for their accomplishments in preserving and strengthening the rule of law.

DULY ADOPTED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2010 at a duly noticed meeting of the Judicial Council of Guam.

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