MINA BENTE OCHO NA LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN 2005 (FIRST) REGULAR SESSION

BILL NO. 182(EC) INTRODUCED BY:

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AN ACT TO ADD A NEW SECTION §834.3 TO TITLE 1, GUAM CODE ANNOTATED, TO DESIGNATE ROUTE 8 AS "PURPLE HEART MEMORIAL HIGHWAY" TO HONOR AND PAY SPECIAL TRIBUTE TO ALL RECIPIENTS OF THE MILITARY ORDER OF THE PURPLE HEART, MEMBERS OF THE UNITED STATES ARMED SERVICES WHO HAVE BEEN WOUNDED OR KILLED IN ACTION THUS MAKING THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE IN THE PROTECTION OF FREEDOM AND LIBERTY.

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF GUAM:

2 Section 1. Legislative Intent and findings.

The Liheslaturan Guahan finds that several of our island brothers 3 and sisters who have served in the U.S. military have been wounded in 4 battle or have been killed in action, thus making the ultimate sacrifice that 5 any person can make for his/her island or country. These individuals and 6 their families are certainly deserving of numerous accolades and 7 recognition for their love and service to Guam and her people. Although a 8 recent memorial monument was constructed in the Skinner's Plaza 9 recognizing such contributions, members of the Military Order of the 10 Purple Heart on Guam have requested that our uniformed armed services 11 members who have been wounded or have been killed in war be further 12

- recognized through the naming of Route 8 the "Purple Heart Memorial
- 2 Highway".
- 3 Therefore this provision would further extend the recognition and
- 4 honor on behalf of the people of Guam to the numerous men and women
- of the United States Armed Forces who were wounded or killed in action
- 6 through the naming of Route 8, one of Guam's major roadways, the
- 7 "Purple Heart Memorial Highway". A special and deserving tribute to
- 8 those who have been awarded accordingly and have served our island of
- 9 Guam and our country.
- Section 2. Designation of Route 8 Highway, the "Purple Heart
- 11 Memorial Highway".
- 12 A new section §834.3 is hereby added to Title 1, Guam Code
- 13 Annotated, to read as follows:
- 14 "§834.3. Designation of Route 8 as "Purple Heart Memorial
- 15 Highway".
- Route 8 highway is hereby designated in memory of all recipients of
- 17 the Military Order of the Purple Heart in Guam, as the "Purple Heart
- 18 Memorial Highway"; from its junction with Route 1 (Marine Corps Drive)
- to its intersection junction with Route 10 and Route 16, Barrigada.
- The Department of Public Works shall post signs along the newly
- 21 designated Purple Heart Memorial Highway, Route 8, at appropriate
- intervals that visibly identify the highway's official name. The Department
- of Public Works shall further insure the placement of appropriate signs in

- prominent overhead locations at the intersection of Route 1 (Marine Corps
- 2 Drive) and Route 8, Hagatna; and the intersection of Route 8, Route 10
- 3 (Vietnam Veterans Highway) and Route 16 (Army Drive), Barrigada. The
- 4 Department shall further display signage or a monument along the
- 5 roadside dedicating the "Purple Heart Memorial Highway" to the men and
- 6 women of the United States Armed Services who have been wounded or
- 7 killed in action, while in service to their island of Guam and their country;
- 8 recipients of the Military Order of the Purple Heart."

Section 3. Severability Clause.

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If any provision of this Act or its application to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are severable.