

Sec. 2. The editor of the Iowa official register shall include an appropriate illustration of the "Largo," accompanied by suitable text, in the section devoted to the state flower, state bird, state rock, and state tree while the "Largo" is the state anthem.

Sec. 3. This Joint Resolution, being deemed of immediate importance, takes effect upon enactment.

Approved May 4, 1993

CHAPTER 187

COMMONWEALTH STATUS FOR TERRITORY OF GUAM

S.J.R. 3

A JOINT RESOLUTION supporting the granting of commonwealth status to the Territory of Guam.

WHEREAS, the United States is recognized worldwide for its pursuit of global democracy and its support of the right of people everywhere to seek self-determination, but especially for those people under its jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly of the State of Iowa, as a member government of the United States of America, also supports the right of each state and territory under the United States to seek the political standing best suited to its people; and

WHEREAS, the Territory of Guam is attempting to establish a just political relationship between the people of Guam and the United States; and

WHEREAS, Guam seeks to provide for the rights of the people of Guam in areas of vital interest to them, including land use, immigration, taxation, and the applicability of federal laws constraining their development; and

WHEREAS, the Guam Territorial Legislature has obtained introduction of the Commonwealth Act of Guam in the United States Congress which would grant commonwealth status to the Territory; and

WHEREAS, the General Assembly encourages the United States government to allow the people of Guam to determine their own political, social, and economic future; and

WHEREAS, support for the Guam Commonwealth effort has been evidenced by policy statements and resolutions of the National Governors Association, the Western Legislative Conference of the Council of State Governments, the National Conference of State Legislatures, and the United States Conference of Mayors; NOW THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

That the General Assembly of the State of Iowa supports the efforts of the people of Guam to achieve commonwealth status and a just and permanent relationship with the United States.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Honorable Bill Clinton, President of the United States; the Honorable Albert Gore, Vice President of the United States and President of the United States Senate; the Honorable Thomas Foley, Speaker of the United States House of Representatives; the Honorable George Mitchell, Majority Leader of the United States Senate; the Honorable Joseph F. Ada, Governor of Guam; the Honorable Joe T. San Agustin, Speaker of the Guam Legislature; and Iowa's congressional delegation.