APIL Resolution No. 32-GA-12

"Expressing appreciation of the 32nd General Assembly of the Association of the Pacific Island Legislatures (APIL) to all the Presenters for their informative and thorough presentations to the Assembly."

WHEREAS, the theme for the 32nd General Assembly of APIL is “Renewable Energy and Health Insurance for our Pacific Communities”; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rupeni Mario, Project Manager, Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC) spoke about “renewable energy as a means to empower communities in the Micronesian islands”; and

WHEREAS, panel presenters Mr. Mark Glick, Hawaii State Energy Office, Ms. Hermina Morita, Chairperson of the Hawaii Public Utilities Commission, Mr. Jeff Mukulina, Blue Planet, and Sen. Mike Gabbard, Chairman of the Senate Energy Committee shared information relating to the “renewable energy programs in the State of Hawaii; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Patrick Gregorio, Vice President of Maynilad presented on “alternative energy, the Maynilad experience”; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Nena S. Nena of MiCare FSM Health Plan discussed health insurance coverage in the Federated States of Micronesia; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Eric Plinske of Staywell Insurance, CNMI representing the healthcare providers of Guam and CNMI spoke about health insurance coverage of our Pacific Communities; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Margaret Bengzon, CEO of Guam Regional Medical City presented on the construction of Guam’s new hospital: Guam Regional Medical City and the opportunities for our Pacific Communities to avail of its medical expertise and services; and
WHEREAS, Mr. Aren Palik, President and CEO of the Pacific Island Development Bank discussed the developments of the bank and presented a five thousand dollar check to APIL; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Chris Sampson, CEO of the Digital Society Foundation spoke of laying fiber optic lines across the Blue Continent for our Pacific Communities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Michael Jones, Strategic Development Manager of Matson Navigation Company discussed the strategic shipping options of the Pacific Islands; and

WHEREAS, all the above mentioned Presenters provided the 32nd APIL General Assembly with an informative and thorough presentation on the programs available and being developed which will assist the member legislatures in further positioning themselves and their governments to achieve the greatest benefits for their citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, 32nd General Assembly, Honolulu, Hawaii, June 25-27, 2013, that the members of the APIL General Assembly do hereby express their sincere appreciation to all the Presenters for the fine and informative presentations given; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures shall certify, and the Secretary of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures shall attest to the adoption hereof; and that copies thereupon be transmitted to the respective Presenters and to the Presiding Legislative Officers and the Chief Executive Officers of all member jurisdictions of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 27th DAY OF JUNE, 2013.

JUDITH T. WON PAT ED.D.  
PRESIDENT

CHANG B. WILLIAM  
SECRETARY