Resolution No. 55-BOD-14

A RESOLUTION

“Congratulating WestCare Pacific Islands on its 5th Anniversary of its founding and highlighting its accomplishments in the region benefiting the people of Micronesia.”

WHEREAS, WestCare Pacific Islands (WCPI) is a broad based, human services, non-profit organization founded in 2009 dedicated to uplifting the human spirit by providing support to vulnerable individuals and filling gaps in services on Guam and other Micronesian communities; and

WHEREAS, WCPI is part of a national organization of non-profits with its Foundation offices based in Nevada and services offered in 17 states, the Virgin Islands and the Pacific serving hundreds of thousands of people each year; and

WHEREAS, WCPI has expertise in work with the homeless, those at risk of HIV/STD, persons with behavioral health and substance abuse issues, corrections, juvenile justice, and veterans; and

WHEREAS, training and technical assistance has been provided to various non-profit and governmental entities on Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) and in the Freely Association States (FAS) to assist in building capacity and strengthening organizational structures to respond to the growing and expanding needs of the pacific communities; and

WHEREAS, WCPI has provided support and extended its national and regional partnerships and consults to many non-profits such as Payuta, Incorporated and the Micronesian Youth Services Network (MYSN) to help them sustain their programs and activities so that these entities can in turn continue to offer services and meet their respective mandates; and
WHEREAS, WCPI has educated and informed its national counterparts and its various partners on the unique needs and strengths of pacific island peoples to forge improved communications, increased understanding and expanded advocacy efforts on the behalf of the people of Micronesia.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures (APIL) formally congratulate the staff, management, Board of Directors and Community Action Council of WestCare Pacific Islands and the national Foundation Management and Board of Directors of WestCare Foundation in Nevada on the 5th anniversary of the founding of WestCare Pacific Islands; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the delegates of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures at the Fifty-Fifth Board of Directors Meeting in the FSM State of Yap, December 3-5, 2014 that APIL encourage and remains hopeful that WestCare Pacific Islands continue to provide capacity building and supportive services to all of its member jurisdictions to help resolve the unique and specific human services needs of the respective communities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the APIL President shall certify, and the APIL Secretary shall attest, to the adoption of this resolution and that copies of the same shall be thereafter transmitted to the Chief Executives and Legislative Presiding Officers of each member legislature of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 5TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2014

JUDITH T. WON PAT, ED. D.
ACTING PRESIDENT

CHANG-B. WILLIAM
SECRETARY