Resolution No. 57-BOD-03

“Authorizing and directing the Office of the President of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, with the assistance of the APIL Secretariat, to follow up on the resolves and requests of 35-GA-17, CD1, relative to exploring the feasibility of developing a New Pacific Regional Airline, and to report to the next General Assembly of this organization of his findings and recommendations for further actions by the APIL and its member jurisdictions.”

WHEREAS, on the 3rd day of June, 2016, in its 35th General Assembly, the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures adopted 35-GA-17, CD1, in which the APIL recognized the need to explore the feasibility of developing a New Pacific Regional Airline to service the needs of the Micronesian people via one or a series of connecting hubs, and respectfully requested the Pacific Asia Travel Association to conduct a feasibility study for the APIL and its members jurisdictions with respect thereto; and

WHEREAS, prior to this resolution being passed by the 35th APIL General Assembly in 2016, a similar resolution was passed by the 33rd APIL two years earlier “Expressing deep concern as to the scheduling of United Airline flights and number of flights to, from and through the State of Yap and requesting United Airlines to revisit its scheduling of its flights to this region of the Pacific.”; and

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Board of Directors of the APIL that the state of Kosrae is also experiencing a shortage in the visitation of international flights; and

WHEREAS, it is the sense of the Board of Directors of the APIL, that shortages in choices and frequency of airline services in the region and especially in the states of Kosrae and Yap are depressing the economic development of the region and endangering the lives and welfare of our people, especially in times of medical emergencies when immediate referrals of medical patients are needed; now, therefore,
BE IT RESOLVED by Board of Directors of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, 57th Board Meeting, State of Chuuk, December 8-9, 2016, that the Office of the President of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, with the assistance of the APIL Secretariat, is authorized and directed to follow up on the resolves and requests of 35-GA-17, CD1, and to report to the next General Assembly of this organization of his findings and recommendations for further actions by the APIL and its member jurisdictions; and

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

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 9th DAY OF DECEMBER, 2016.

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PRESIDENT  SECRETARY