Resolution No: 57-BOD-04

"Expressing the sincere appreciation of the Board of Directors of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures to the Honorable Kenneth A. Kedi for his outstanding leadership during his two consecutive terms as the President of this Association."

WHEREAS, the Honorable Kenneth A. Kedi, Speaker of the National Parliament of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, has faithfully held the highest office in the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures for the last two years; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Kenneth A. Kedi presided over the 33rd and 34th General Assemblies and the 55th and 56th Board of Directors meetings of this organization during which sixty-five resolutions and numerous floor motions were entertained, debated upon and adopted by this august body; and

WHEREAS, during the tenure of the Honorable Kenneth A. Kedi, this organization grappled with some of the most pressing challenges confronting the peoples of the Blue Continent, including the ravaging effects of climate change, the continuing damages of exposure of our island peoples to radiation caused by the incautious testing and detonation of nuclear devices over their atolls and communities, the management and conservation of our marine resources, the proper education and the retention of the cultural values among our children, the calling for a regional network of advanced medical care, the development of airlines services and ocean transport within the region, and many other worthy topics of legislative concern and action; and

WHEREAS, throughout his tenure as President, the Honorable Kenneth A. Kedi served as an inspiration for all of us within the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, which motivations and insights were carried back by our delegations to our individual legislative and parliamentary assemblies for further development and action; and
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1 WHEREAS, having now passed the mantle of leadership of the APIL during this,
2 the 57th Board of Directors Meeting of the APIL, to the Honorable Robert I. Taulung, Vice
3 Speaker of the Legislature of the State of Kosrae, the Honorable Kenneth A. Kedi now joins
4 the ranks of the Council of Past APIL Presidents, where we are confident that he will carry
5 on the fine work to which he devoted himself during his tenure as the 20th President of the
6 Association of Pacific Island Legislatures; now, therefore,
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8 BE IT RESOLVED by Board of Directors of the Association of Pacific Island
9 Legislatures, 57th Board Meeting, State of Chuuk, December 8-9, 2016, that this Board of
10 Directors of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures hereby expresses our sincere
11 appreciation to the Honorable Kenneth A. Kedi for his outstanding leadership during his two
12 consecutive terms as the President of this Association; and
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14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the APIL President shall certify and the APIL
15 Secretary shall attest to the adoption hereof and that copies of the same shall be transmitted
16 to the Honorable Kenneth A. Kedi, the 20th President of the Association of Pacific Island
17 Legislatures, and to the Chief Executive and Presiding Legislative Officers of each member
18 jurisdiction of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures.

Duly and Regularly Adopted on the 9th Day of December, 2016.

ROBERT I. TAULUNG
PRESIDENT

NELSON STEPHEN
SECRETARY