

Association of **Pacific Island** Legislatures

American Samoa Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands FSM, State of Chuuk FSM, State of Kosrae FSM, State of Pohnpei FSM, State of Yap **Island of Guam** Republic of Kiribati Republic of the Marshall Islands Republic of Nauru Republic of Palau

State of Hawaii

A RESOLUTION

APIL Resolution No. 30-GA-02

"Establishing a sister-organization partnership between the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures and the Micronesian Youth Services Network."

1	WHEREAS, the Micronesian Youth Services Network (MYSN) is a non-profit
2	organization and a network of various communities within the Micronesian region working
3	collaboratively to improve the quality and quantity of youth, family and community services with
4	consideration of each community's unique cultural values; and
5	WHEREAS, MYSN has established alliances and partnerships with the National
6	Network for Youth (Washington DC), the Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC) based in
7	New Caledonia and in the Federated States of Micronesia - Pohnpei, the Pacific Islands
8	Association of Non-Governmental Organizations (PIANGO) based in Fiji, Payuta (Guam's
9	Umbrella Organization of NGOs), the Hawaii Youth Services Network, and the former Western
10	States Youth Services Network based in California; and
11	WHEREAS, there is a need for regional youth advocates to align and partner to share
12	and maximize resources, information on best practices, and evidence based approaches, and to
13	collaborate with political leaders to help make policy changes; and
14	WHEREAS, there is a gap between government youth programs, current NGO youth
15	programs, and one of the region's most critical social challenges that affects all youths in
16	Micronesia, the lack of an integrated youth services program; and
17	WHEREAS, the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures wishes to form a sister-
18	organization partnership with MYSN, and requests MYSN to assist the Association of Pacific

Island Legislatures member jurisdictions in changing and/or establishing youth policies to improve implementation and collaboration of youth services and to enhance and to strengthen family and community services in the region; and

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WHEREAS, in forming this sister organization partnership with MYSN, it is the intent of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures to encourage the establishment of more regional non-profit organizations working collaboratively to address the broad social, economic, and cultural concerns of the people of the Pacific Islands; and

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, 30th General Assembly, Republic of Palau, June 15-17, 2011, that the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures hereby establishes a sister organization partnership with Micronesian Youth Services Network (MYSN); 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 Micronesian Youth Services Network and to the Chief Executives and Legislative Presiding Officers of each member jurisdiction of the Association of the Pacific Island Legislatures.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 17 DAY OF JUNE, 2011.

REBLUUD KESOLEI APIL PRESIDENT ALIK J. ALIK APIL SECRETARY