

## Association of Pacific Island Legislatures

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Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands

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Republic of the Marshall Islands

Republic of Nauru Republic of Palau State of Hawaii

## A RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 31-GA-02, CD1

"Recognizing Reach out Pacific (REPAC), Karidat and AYUDA Foundation for their outstanding contributions to the children and less fortunate people of the CNMI and for other purposes."

1	WHEREAS, the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, 31st General Assembly
2	Conference on the island of Saipan, Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands, June 20 - 23,
3	2012 finds that Senator Glenn Wakai is in his first term as a Hawaii State Senator, following
4	eight years in the State House of Representatives, where he currently serves in the State Senate as
5	vice-chair of the Senate's Committee on Economic Development and Technology, and is a
6	member of the Committees on Ways and Means, and Agriculture; and
7	WHEREAS, in 1991, Senator Wakai began a career in television news by working as a
8	reporter/anchor in Guam and Saipan; and
9	WHEREAS, after 11 years in the news industry, Senator Wakai set aside his microphone
10	to pursue his passion for public service; and
11	WHEREAS, in November 2002 Senator Wakai was elected to the Hawaii State House of
12	Representatives and was re-elected in '04, '06, and '08 before being elected to the State Senate;
13	and
14	WHEREAS, Senator Wakai runs a non-profit organization, Reach out Pacific (REPAC),
15	which moves surplus medical, educational equipment and supplies to other Pacific Islands, in

addition to sitting on the boards of Goodwill Contract Services, Japanese Cultural Center, Young

- 2 Business Council, and MeneMac Media Advisory Board for Moanalua High School; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Senator Wakai and the Reach Out Pacific Non-Profit Organization teamed
- 4 up with Angelray "Bo" Guerrero in recent years to donate to the less fortunate in the CNMI
- 5 including for example, donating used books and clothing to 14 elementary schools, Karidat, and
- 6 Ayuda Foundation in 2008, and teaming up with partners to arrange for The Children of Our
- 7 Homeland Center of the Joeten-Kiyu Public Library to receive four boxes of donated children's
- 8 books in 2009, and also working to donate television sets, electronic and stuffed toys and
- 9 ventilators, books and bookshelves; and
- WHEREAS, Senator Wakai as recently as June 2012 partnered with the Saipan-based
- 11 KKMP Charitable Foundation to present a total of 100 boxes of assorted medical supplies and
- 12 materials to the CNMI Commonwealth Health Center which included medicine, linens, toys for
- children at the hospital's pediatric unit, and books and school materials for the CNMI Public
- 14 School System; now, therefore,
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, 31<sup>st</sup> General
- Assembly, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, June 20-23, 2012, that the
- 17 Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, hereby finds that Hawaii State Senator Glenn Wakai is
- hereby recognized for his outstanding contributions to the children and less fortunate people of
- 19 the CNMI; and

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

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 22<sup>nd</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2012.

REBLUUD KESOLEI APIL PRESIDENT CHANG WILLIAM ACTING SECRETARY