

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. 39-GA-02

"Respectfully calling upon Air Nauru to reinstate its pre-COVID-19 pandemic schedule of airline flights to, from and between the island destinations of the APIL Pacific and requesting Air Nauru to revive its efforts to expand its services to the north and the west of its present routes linking more of the islands of the APIL Pacific region with airline hub centers such as Fiji, Guam, and Manila leading into Micronesian destinations."

- WHEREAS, frequent, affordable and reliable air transportation system
- 2 to, from and between the islands of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures
- 3 has always been one of the highest priorities of this Association and its member
- 4 governments; and
- 5 WHEREAS, over twenty years ago, the Association of Pacific Island
- 6 Legislatures began inviting Air Nauru to commence servicing the islands of the
- 7 APIL Pacific; and
- 8 **WHEREAS**, in July of 2014, the APIL adopted a resolution seeking the
- 9 support of APIL member states and entities to consider maximizing the
- 10 availability of low cost and affordable airline services provided by Air Nauru,
- 11 (then known as "Our Airline") to service the APIL Pacific region; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the very next year this organization adopted a second
- 13 resolution requesting Air Nauru, among others, to extend its air service to
- 14 additional Pacific regions that were not presently included in its current service
- 15 routes; and
- WHEREAS, in the year 2016, the APIL adopted a third resolution
- 17 extending the sincere appreciation of the Association of Pacific Island

- 1 Legislatures to Air Nauru for its expansion of air services to the FSM State
- 2 of Chuuk, and encouraging Air Nauru to continue its expansion to the north and
- 3 the west of its present routes linking more of the islands of the APIL Pacific
- 4 region with airline hub centers such as Fiji, Guam, and
- 5 Manila leading into Micronesian destinations; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures and its
- 7 member governments have been very thankful for the interest and expansion of
- 8 Air Nauru over the last several years into the servicing of the island destinations
- 9 of the APIL Pacific; however
- 10 **WHEREAS**, the world-wide COVID-19 pandemic of 2020 and beyond,
- 11 which curtailed airlines services around the globe, seriously affected Air
- Nauru's ability to sustain its flight schedules for the islands of Micronesia; but
- 13 WHEREAS, now that the threats of the COVID pandemic have
- diminished and the islands are opening up again for general airline arrivals and
- departures, the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures is very anxious to see
- 16 Air Nauru return to full fight services; now, therefore,
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures,
- 39th General Assembly, FSM State of Pohnpei, October 12-14, 2022, that this
- 19 Assembly respectfully calls upon Air Nauru to reinstate its pre-COVID-19
- 20 pandemic schedule of airline flights to, from and between the island destinations
- 21 of the APIL Pacific; and
- 22 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this Association once again earnestly
- 23 requests Air Nauru to revive its efforts to expand its services to the north and the
- 24 west of its present routes linking more of the islands of the APIL Pacific region
- with airline hub centers such as Fiji, Guam, and Manila leading into Micronesian
- 26 destinations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the APIL President shall certify

- 2 and the APIL Secretary shall attest to the adoption hereof and that copies of the
- 3 same shall be transmitted to the President of Air Nauru and to the Chief
- 4 Executive and Presiding Legislative Officers of each member jurisdiction of the
- 5 Association of Pacific Island Legislatures.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 13TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2022.

SHELTAN G. NETH PRESIDENT VINNIE V. F. SABLAN SECRETARY