



# 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-10

**“Respectfully requesting the Pacific Islands Medical Aid organization to revitalize its medical assistance programs for the APIL Pacific and especially for the needy citizens of the Republic of the Kiribati.”**

1           **WHEREAS**, over the past 15 years, the Pacific Islands Medical Aid  
2 Humanitarian Assistance Program, PIMA, has been providing assistance in  
3 various medical disciplines for Pacific Island patients, most notably for those  
4 in need in the Republic of Kiribati; and

5           **WHEREAS**, in its efforts to help the Republic of Kiribati adequately  
6 address its medical challenges, PIMA has provided funding assistance for the  
7 round trip airfare for U.S. medical teams traveling to Kiribati to attend to the  
8 medical needs of the Kiribati people, including the accommodations for these  
9 medical teams and their meals while in the Republic of Kiribati; and

10           **WHEREAS**, PIMA has also provided round trip air tickets,  
11 accommodations and meals for Kiribati patients who have been referred to  
12 Hawaii and other states in the U.S. for advanced medical care; and

13           **WHEREAS**, most of the patients referred to the United States by  
14 PIMA were heart, orthopedic, and ENT cases; however

15           **WHEREAS**, the vital services that the Pacific Islands Medical Aid  
16 Humanitarian Assistance Program was providing to Kiribati have  
17 unfortunately been discontinued resulting in severe hardships for the people  
18 of this isolated atoll nation in need of advanced medical care; now, therefore,


1           **BE IT RESOLVED** by the 39<sup>th</sup> General Assembly of the  
2 Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, State of Pohnpei, FSM, October  
3 12-14, 2022, that this General Assembly hereby recognizes and acknowledges  
4 the charitable support of the Pacific Islands Medical Aid programs in  
5 providing free medical services, not only for the citizens of the Republic of  
6 Kiribati, but for those in need of medical assistance throughout the APIL  
7 Pacific Community; and

8           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the General Assembly of the  
9 Association of Pacific Island Legislatures hereby respectfully requests the  
10 Pacific Islands Medical Aid organization to revitalize its medical assistance  
11 programs for the APIL Pacific and especially for the needy citizens of the  
12 Republic of the Kiribati; and

13           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the APIL President shall  
14 certify and the APIL Secretary shall attest to the adoption hereof, and that  
15 copies of the same shall be thereafter transmitted to the Chief Executive  
16 Officer of the Pacific Islands Medical Aid organization and to the Chief  
17 Executive and the Legislative Presiding Officers of each member jurisdiction  
18 of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 13<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF OCTOBER, 2022.**

  
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**SHELTEN G. NETH**  
**PRESIDENT**

  
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**VINNIE V. F. SABLAN**  
**SECRETARY**

