

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. 41-GA-09

"Respectfully requesting that Star Marianas Air, Inc. closely consider further expanding its commuter airline services to additional destinations in the greater island region of Micronesia."

1 WHEREAS, since its inception, airline services have been an area of priority concern 2 for the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures (APIL) and our member jurisdictions; 3 and 4 WHEREAS, APIL resolutions have addressed the high costs of air travel, disruptions 5 of air service in times of economic downturns and environmental crisis, a lack of frequency 6 in airline schedules to certain island destinations, and difficulties in finding convenient 7 routing to overseas destinations; and 8 WHEREAS, while many of our APIL resolutions have addressed difficulties and 9 constraints in air travel, our Association has also been ready to praise the high standards 10 exhibited by the airlines serving our region and their commitment to the welfare of our 11 people; and 12 WHEREAS, the APIL has been particularly supportive of small, regional airlines 13 that are dedicated to promoting air travel in and between the islands of the APIL Pacific; 14 and 15 WHEREAS, the APIL is cognizant of the efforts of a commuter airline operating out 16 of the Northern Mariana Islands known as Star Marianas Air, Incorporated, which was 17 founded in 2008 to provide airline services between the islands of Saipan, Tinian, and Rota 18 and which has recently expanded its outreach to include non-stop service to the island of 19 Guam; and

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2 frequency in inter-island air travel among and between the island jurisdictions of the APIL 3 Pacific, we are encouraged by Star Mariana Air, Inc.'s dedication to servicing the northern 4 sector of the APIL Pacific and are looking forward to a promising future for this maturing 5 airline; now, therefore, 6 **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, 41st General 7 Assembly, Republic of Palau, August 12-13, 2024, that members of the Association of 8 Pacific Island Legislatures hereby respectfully request that Star Marianas Air, Inc. closely 9 consider further expanding its commuter airline services to additional destinations in the 10 greater island region of Micronesia; and 11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the APIL President shall certify and the APIL 12

WHEREAS, since the APIL is deeply devoted to the principle of promoting ease and

Secretary shall attest to the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same shall be transmitted to the Chief Executive Officer of Star Marianas Air, Inc. and to the Chief Executives and Legislative Presiding Officers of each member jurisdiction of the Association of the Pacific Island Legislatures for the sharing thereof with the air transport departments and agencies of the member jurisdiction governments of the APIL.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 13TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2024.

EDMUND S. VILLAGOMEZ
ACTING PRESIDENT

VICTOR BÁMOG ACTING SECRETARY