

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. 42-GA-11

"Respectfully requesting United Airlines to commence dialogues with the senior transportation officials of the APIL Governments in order to fully analyze the current pricing structure for airline flights to, from and within the island destinations of the APIL Pacific with the goal of determining means by which the airfare costs for passengers and the air freight costs for cargo can be substantially reduced while simultaneously stimulating the market for greater use of United Airlines services to our region of the world."

WHEREAS, the theme of this year's General Assembly of the Association of

- 2 Pacific Island Legislatures is "Economic Development: Strengthening Local Economies,
- 3 Health and Welfare throughout the Blue Continent"; and
- 4 WHEREAS, since its founding in 1981, the Association of Pacific Island
- 5 Legislatures and its many legislative and parliamentary members have been strong
- 6 supporters of the airline industry as it provides vital services for our islands and for our
- 7 peoples; and
- 8 **WHEREAS,** each of the island governments of the APIL Pacific have invested and
- 9 continue to invest millions of dollars in the construction, maintenance and operational costs
- to keep our airports safe, efficient and reliable hubs for the airline industry and for our
- economies and the people the airline industry serves; and
- WHEREAS, the jurisdictions of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures
- have all developed and maintain very close and long-standing partnerships with United
- 14 Airlines, and for many islands, United Airlines is our sole provider of commercial airline
- 15 services which are essential to the social and economic well-being of our citizens, and
- which are a vital component in our efforts to enhance tourism for our economies, higher
- 17 education abroad for our aspiring youth, medical treatment for those of our citizens in need
- of advanced care, and inter-island commerce for our business communities; however,

WHEREAS, the high and ever rising costs of air transportation for both passengers and cargo represents a serious barrier to our access to the benefits that safe, reliable and affordable air service can bring to our islands; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, 42nd 4 General Assembly on Saipan, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, October 5 28-29, 2025, that the members of the Association of the Pacific Island Legislatures hereby 6 respectfully request United Airlines to commence dialogues with the senior transportation 7 officials of the APIL Governments in order to fully analyze the current pricing structure 8 9 for airline flights to, from and within the island destinations of the APIL Pacific with the goal of determining means by which the airfare costs for passengers and the air freight 10 costs for cargo can be substantially reduced while simultaneously stimulating the market 11 for greater use of United Airlines services to our region of the world; and 12

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 thereafter be transmitted to the Chief Executive Officer of United Airlines Holding, Inc, to the Regional Manager of United Airlines for its airline services in Micronesia; and to the Chief Executives and Presiding Legislative Officers of each member jurisdiction of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 29TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2025.

EDMUND S. VILLAGOMEZ

PRESIDENT

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