



# 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

### Resolution No. 53-BOD-12

**“Relative to the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures’ expressed support and advocacy for alternate dispute resolution and language services.”**

1           **WHEREAS**, the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures (APIL) acknowledges the  
2     Judiciary of Guam’s position that Guam, in serving as a gateway to the United States from  
3     Asia, continues to experience population growth; and

4           **WHEREAS**, APIL acknowledges the leadership of Chief Justice F. Philip Carbullido  
5     in working to establish partnerships with community stakeholders inclusive of, but not  
6     limited to, instrumentalities of the government as well as with private volunteer organizations  
7     in order that they may jointly assess and address the needs of a growing population; and

8           **WHEREAS**, APIL further acknowledges that the court is currently unable to satisfy  
9     the corresponding increased need for language interpreters and alternate dispute resolution  
10    and other language services; now, therefore,

11          **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, 53<sup>rd</sup> Board of  
12    Directors Meeting, December 5-6, 2012, State of Pohnpei, FSM, that the Board of Directors  
13    of the APIL hereby expresses its support of and advocacy of the Judiciary of Guam’s  
14    initiatives to establish or enhance alternate dispute resolution and language service programs;  
15    and

1           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the President of the APIL shall certify, and the  
2   Secretary of APIL shall attest, to the adoption hereof, and that copies thereupon be  
3   transmitted to Chief Justice F. Philip Carbullido and to the Chief Executives and Legislative  
4   Presiding Officers of each member jurisdiction of the Association of the Pacific Island  
5   Legislatures.

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**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 6<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER, 2012.**



**JUDITH T. WON PAT, ED. D.  
PRESIDENT**



**CHANG B. WILLIAM  
SECRETARY**

