



Association of Pacific Island Legislatures

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Island of Guam
Republic of Kiribati
Republic of the Marshall Islands
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Republic of Palau
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Resolution No. 55-BOD-13

A RESOLUTION

“Congratulating Judith T. Won Pat, Mary Camacho Torres, Nerissa Underwood, and Tina Muna Barnes for being elected to the Guam Legislature; and urge other APIL member entities to support women in office.”

1 **WHEREAS**, Judith T. Won Pat, Mary Camacho Torres, Nerissa Underwood, and Tina Muna
2 Barnes are to be congratulated for their victory in winning a seat in the Guam Legislature, and setting an
3 example for the progress of the empowerment of women into office in the region; and

4 **WHEREAS**, the other APIL member entities have very minimal or no women as representatives
5 in their respective legislative bodies; and


6 **WHEREAS**, the need for women in the Legislature should be paramount to a comprehensive
7 understanding of the total needs of their respective constituencies; now, therefore,


8 **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, Fifty-Fifth Board of
9 Directors Meeting, State of Yap, December 3-5, 2014, that the Board of Directors of the Association of
10 Pacific Island Legislatures, for and on behalf of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, hereby
11 extend our heartiest congratulations to Judith T. Won Pat, Mary Camacho Torres, Nerissa Underwood,
12 and Tina Muna Barnes for being elected to the Guam Legislature and urge other APIL member entities to
13 support women in office.; and

14 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the APIL President shall certify, and the APIL Secretary
15 shall attest to the adoption hereof and that copies of the same shall thereafter be transmitted to each of
16 the members-elect of the legislative assemblies of Kosrae, Guam, Yap and the CNMI; to each of the law-

- 1 makers of the APIL family who will soon be departing from the legislative scene; and to the Chief
- 2 Executives and Presiding Legislative Officers of each member jurisdiction of the Association of Pacific
- 3 Island Legislatures.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 5TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2014


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


CHANG B. WILLIAM
SECRETARY

