



# 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

Resolution No. 55-BOD-14

## A RESOLUTION

**“Congratulating WestCare Pacific Islands on its 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of its founding and highlighting its accomplishments in the region benefiting the people of Micronesia.”**

1       **WHEREAS**, WestCare Pacific Islands (WCPI) is a broad based, human services, non-profit  
2 organization founded in 2009 dedicated to uplifting the human spirit by providing support to vulnerable  
3 individuals and filling gaps in services on Guam and other Micronesian communities; and

4       **WHEREAS**, WCPI is part of a national organization of non-profits with its Foundation offices  
5 based in Nevada and services offered in 17 states, the Virgin Islands and the Pacific serving hundreds of  
6 thousands of people each year; and

7       **WHEREAS**, WCPI has expertise in work with the homeless, those at risk of HIV/STD, persons  
8 with behavioral health and substance abuse issues, corrections, juvenile justice, and veterans; and

9       **WHEREAS**, training and technical assistance has been provided to various non-profit and  
10 governmental entities on Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) and in the  
11 Freely Association States (FAS) to assist in building capacity and strengthening organizational structures  
12 to respond to the growing and expanding needs of the pacific communities; and

13       **WHEREAS**, WCPI has provided support and extended its national and regional partnerships and  
14 consults to many non-profits such as Payuta, Incorporated and the Micronesian Youth Services Network  
15 (MYSN) to help them sustain their programs and activities so that these entities can in turn continue to  
16 offer services and meet their respective mandates; and

1           **WHEREAS**, WCPI has educated and informed its national counterparts and its various partners  
2   on the unique needs and strengths of pacific island peoples to forge improved communications, increased  
3   understanding and expanded advocacy efforts on the behalf of the people of Micronesia.


4           **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures (APIL) formally  
5   congratulate the staff, management, Board of Directors and Community Action Council of WestCare  
6   Pacific Islands and the national Foundation Management and Board of Directors of WestCare Foundation  
7   in Nevada on the 5th anniversary of the founding of WestCare Pacific Islands; and

8           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** by the delegates of the Association of Pacific Island  
9   Legislatures at the Fifty-Fifth Board of Directors Meeting in the FSM State of Yap, December 3-5, 2014  
10   that APIL encourage and remains hopeful that WestCare Pacific Islands continue to provide capacity  
11   building and supportive services to all of its member jurisdictions to help resolve the unique and specific  
12   human services needs of the respective communities.

13           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the APIL President shall certify, and the APIL Secretary  
14   shall attest, to the adoption of this resolution and that copies of the same shall be thereafter transmitted to  
15   the Chief Executives and Legislative Presiding Officers of each member legislature of the Association of  
16   Pacific Island Legislatures.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 5<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER, 2014

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

  
CHANG B. WILLIAM  
SECRETARY

