



# 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. 57-BOD-03

“Authorizing and directing the Office of the President of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, with the assistance of the APIL Secretariat, to follow up on the resolves and requests of 35-GA-17, CD1, relative to exploring the feasibility of developing a New Pacific Regional Airline, and to report to the next General Assembly of this organization of his findings and recommendations for further actions by the APIL and its member jurisdictions.”

1           **WHEREAS**, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of June, 2016, in its 35<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, the  
2 Association of Pacific Island Legislatures adopted 35-GA-17, CD1, in which the APIL  
3 recognized the need to explore the feasibility of developing a New Pacific Regional  
4 Airline to service the needs of the Micronesian people via one or a series of connecting  
5 hubs, and respectfully requested the Pacific Asia Travel Association to conduct a  
6 feasibility study for the APIL and its members jurisdictions with respect thereto; and

7           **WHEREAS**, prior to this resolution being passed by the 35<sup>th</sup> APIL General  
8 Assembly in 2016, a similar resolution was passed by the 33<sup>rd</sup> APIL two years earlier  
9 *“Expressing deep concern as to the scheduling of United Airline flights and number of*  
10 *flights to, from and through the State of Yap and requesting United Airlines to revisit its*  
11 *scheduling of its flights to this region of the Pacific.”*; and

12           **WHEREAS**, it has come to the attention of the Board of Directors of the APIL  
13 that the state of Kosrae is also experiencing a shortage in the visitation of international  
14 flights; and

15           **WHEREAS**, it is the sense of the Board of Directors of the APIL, that shortages  
16 in choices and frequency of airline services in the region and especially in the states of  
17 Kosrae and Yap are depressing the economic development of the region and endangering  
18 the lives and welfare of our people, especially in times of medical emergencies when  
19 immediate referrals of medical patients are needed; now, therefore,

1           **BE IT RESOLVED** by Board of Directors of the Association of Pacific Island  
2 Legislatures, 57<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting, State of Chuuk, December 8-9, 2016, that the Office of  
3 the President of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, with the assistance of the  
4 APIL Secretariat, is authorized and directed to follow up on the resolves and requests of  
5 35-GA-17, CD1, and to report to the next General Assembly of this organization of his  
6 findings and recommendations for further actions by the APIL and its member  
7 jurisdictions; and

8           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the APIL President shall certify, and the  
9 APIL Secretary shall attest to the adoption hereof and that copies of the same shall be  
10 transmitted to the President of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures and to the  
11 Chief Executives and Presiding Legislative Officers of each member jurisdiction of the  
12 Association of Pacific Island Legislatures.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 9<sup>th</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER, 2016.**

  
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**ROBERT I. TAULUNG**  
**PRESIDENT**

  
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**NELSON STEPHEN**  
**SECRETARY**

