



# 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-08

**“Requesting Association of Pacific Island Legislatures member entities to support the Annual Regional Conference of the Micronesia Youth Services Network (MYSN) to be held in the Republic of the Marshall Islands in July 2017 by sponsoring youth participants from each member entity.”**

1       **WHEREAS**, there is a need for regional youth advocates to align and partner to  
2 share and maximize resources, information on best practices and evidence based  
3 approaches, and to collaborate with political leaders to help make policy changes; and

4       **WHEREAS**, one of the region’s most critical social challenges that affects all  
5 youth in Micronesia is the lack of an integrated youth services program since there is a  
6 gap between government youth programs and current NGO youth programs; and

7       **WHEREAS**, the MYSN is a creation of the Association of Pacific Island  
8 Legislatures (APIL); and

9       **WHEREAS**, MYSN will pay the room and board expenses of youth participants  
10 whose travel is sponsored by APIL to attend the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual MYSN conference in the  
11 Republic of the Marshall Islands in July 2017; and

12       **WHEREAS**, MYSN acknowledges the efforts of the Speaker of the Republic of  
13 the Marshall Islands, the Honorable Kenneth A. Kedi, for empowering the youth of RMI  
14 to participate in the MYSN Annual Conference in Tinian, CNMI 2016; and

15       **WHEREAS**, MYSN humbly requests APIL’s interest and support for the youth  
16 to attend the MYSN 2017; and

17       **WHEREAS**, the MYSN Tinian Youth matters is a proven success that supports  
18 enhancement of youth services, youth opportunities, and ensuring that our unique cultural  
19 values are maintained; and

1       **WHEREAS**, the enthusiasm and participation of RMI Youth Champion, Mr.  
2       Albers Jr. LD Alik, was most invaluable to the conference during MYSN board meeting  
3       and Mr. Alik received a record of 52 out of 52 votes to join the MYSN Board; and

4       **WHEREAS**, we recognize and congratulate the Republic of Marshall Islands for  
5       joining the MYSN Team and for hosting MYSN 2017, now, therefore,

6       **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of Association of Pacific Island  
7       Legislatures, 57<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting, State of Chuuk, December 8-9, that the Board of  
8       Directors, on behalf of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, hereby requests  
9       sponsorship from each respective member entity of the Association of Pacific Island  
10      Legislatures to support the Annual Regional Conference of the Micronesian Youth  
11      Services Network (MYSN) to be held in the Republic of the Marshall Islands by  
12      sponsoring youth participants from each member entity; and

13      **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that each member legislative assembly of the  
14      Association of Pacific Island Legislatures is requested to provide financial assistance for  
15      their respective youth representatives to the MYSN Annual Regional Conference; and

16      **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the APIL President shall certify, and the  
17      APIL Secretary shall attest to the adaptation hereof and that copies of the same shall be  
18      transmitted to the Micronesian Youth Services Network and to the Chief Executives and  
19      Presiding Legislative Officers of each member jurisdiction of the Association of Pacific  
20      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**

