



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

APIL Resolution No. 62-BOD-07

“Respectfully requesting member entities of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures to work cohesively to explore the feasibility of investing in the air cargo industry in order to ensure reliable services to member entities of the APIL.”

1 **WHEREAS**, it has become an imperative and urgent need for the islands in the
2 membership of the APIL that air cargo shipments are brought into our islands in a timely
3 and expedited manner; and

4 **WHEREAS**, unfortunately, Asia Pacific Airlines, the air cargo provider that
5 many of the Micronesian islands have come to rely upon to deliver essential goods, was
6 grounded in February when the Federal Aviation Administration ordered it to temporarily
7 cease operations thus creating a serious shortage in the movement of air cargo and air
8 mail to and between the islands of the APIL Pacific; and

9 **WHEREAS**, it is the sense of the Board of Directors of the Association of Pacific
10 Island Legislatures that it is important for the member governments of the APIL to take
11 appropriate actions to ensure that the APIL Pacific is continuously blessed with a
12 dependable and fully certified air cargo industry capable of meeting the air cargo needs of
13 all APIL member jurisdictions that is necessary for maintaining the economy of our
14 islands and the welfare of our citizens; now, therefore,

15 **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Association of Pacific
16 Island Legislatures, 62nd Board Meeting, FSM State of Kosrae, April 5-6, 2023, that the
17 Board of Directors, on behalf of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, hereby
18 respectfully requests the member governments of the Association of Pacific Island
19 Legislatures to work cohesively to explore the feasibility of investing in the air cargo
20 industry in order to ensure reliable service to member entities of the APIL; and

1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the APIL President shall certify, and the
2 APIL Secretary shall attest to the adoption hereof and that copies of the same
3 shall be thereafter transmitted to the Chief Executives and Legislative Presiding Officers
4 of each member jurisdiction of the APIL.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 6TH DAY OF APRIL, 2023.



**NELSON STEPHEN
PRESIDENT**



**TESSIE ERIA LAMBOURNE
SECRETARY**

