



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-09

“Respectfully requesting United Airlines to restore the week-end ‘turn-around’ flight schedule which originates in Guam and travels to Chuuk, then to Pohnpei, and thereafter returns to Guam with a second stop-over in Chuuk.”

1 **WHEREAS**, United Airlines is the principle international airline carrier servicing
2 the islands of Micronesia, having inherited a long and proud legacy of the airline
3 industry’s efforts to pioneer air transportation to, from and between the island
4 destinations of the APIL Pacific; and

5 **WHEREAS**, these airline services have become central to the economic viability
6 of our islands and the health and welfare of our people; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the APIL is especially thankful to United Airlines which continued
8 to provide essential air services to the region throughout the most troublesome times of
9 the COVID pandemic; and

10 **WHEREAS**, with the diminishment of the dangers of the COVID pandemic to air
11 travel, it was hoped that United Airlines would restore the full schedule of its air services
12 to the islands of Micronesia; however

13 **WHEREAS**, one of the most popular schedules of the recent past was the week-
14 end ‘turn around’ flight that would originate in Guam and travel to Chuuk, then to
15 Pohnpei, and then return to Guam with a second stop-over in Chuuk; and

16 **WHEREAS**, islanders who frequently travel between these islands for both
17 business and family matters have become dependent on this particular flight pattern to
18 maintain cost effective and practical inter-island travel; and


19 **WHEREAS**, islanders traveling to the U.S. Mainland and Asian destinations
20 have also found this particular flight schedule to be cost effective and practical as the
21 timing of this flight schedule allows for convenient plane transfers in Guam to United

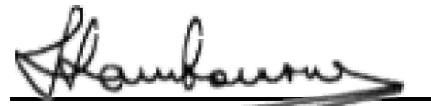
1 Airlines flights departing to destinations abroad without an expensive layover on the
2 island of Guam, now, therefore,

3 **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Association of Pacific
4 Island Legislatures, 62nd Board Meeting, FSM State of Kosrae, April 5-6, 2023, that the
5 Board of Directors, on behalf of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, hereby
6 respectfully requests United Airlines to restore the week-end 'turn-around' flight
7 schedule which originates in Guam and travels to Chuuk, then to Pohnpei, and thereafter
8 returns to Guam with a second stop-over in Chuuk; and

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

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


NELSON STEPHEN
PRESIDENT


TESSIE FRIA LAMBOURNE
SECRETARY

