



# 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-13

“Acknowledging the courtesy extended by several island Member States of the APIL in providing the citizens of Kiribati who possess professional training and expertise with the opportunity to take advantage of the employment opportunities within their jurisdictions, and requesting the remainder of the APIL Members to also extend these same employment opportunities for Kiribati professionals to fill the multitude of gaps in the professional areas of employment wherever they may exist throughout the APIL Pacific.”

1           **WHEREAS**, over the past several years, Kiribati citizens possessing expertise  
2   in professional areas needed throughout our islands of the APIL Pacific have been able to  
3   fill these professional gaps in several of the APIL jurisdictions and have been able to  
4   obtain respectful employment positions at those destinations with good salary packages;  
5   and

6           **WHEREAS**, this is helping the Republic of Kiribati adequately address its  
7   needs of finding meaningful employment for these highly qualified professionals since  
8   there are a limited number of positions for qualified professionals in the Republic of  
9   Kiribati; and

10          **WHEREAS**, the extension of overseas employment for a number of Kiribati’s  
11   most skilled experts has provided the opportunity for the Kiribati professionals to travel  
12   and extend their assistance to island jurisdictions where their expertise is in short supply;  
13   and

14          **WHEREAS**, these job offers from participating APIL jurisdictions has also  
15   provided chances for Kiribati professionals and their families to become exposed to and  
16   to explore the life and the cultures of other islands of the APIL Pacific; and

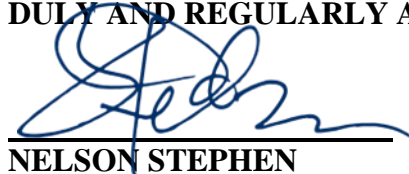
1           **WHEREAS**, the extension of Kiribati expertise to other island jurisdictions has  
2   also accorded the host islands with the benefits of the skills and talents of these highly  
3   trained professionals; now, therefore,

4           **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, 62<sup>nd</sup> Board  
5   Meeting, FSM State of Kosrae, April 5-6, 2023, that the Board of Directors, on behalf of  
6   the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, hereby acknowledges the courtesy  
7   extended by several island Member States of the APIL in providing the citizens of  
8   Kiribati who possess professional training and expertise with the opportunity to take  
9   advantage of the employment opportunities within their jurisdictions; and

10          **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the remainder of the APIL Members are  
11   hereby requested to also extend these employment opportunities for Kiribati professionals  
12   to fill the multitude of gaps in the professional areas of employment wherever they may  
13   exist throughout the APIL Pacific; and

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

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 6<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2023.**



**NELSON STEPHEN**  
**PRESIDENT**



**TESSIE ERIA LAMBOURNE**  
**SECRETARY**



