

## 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. 33-GA-05

"Respectfully requesting the governments of the member jurisdictions of the APIL to include and to prioritize the understanding, preservation and enhancement of culture and traditions in the core curriculum of their education systems and to include these values in their government projects and programs to ensure that the education of our youth and the economic development planning and social development efforts of our governments are undertaken in culturally appropriate and traditionally sustainable manners."

WHEREAS, the island societies which form the basis of the nations, states and territories that constitute the membership of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures are all founded on commonly held cultures and traditions which give meaning to our lives and provides us with a foundation on which to build our hopes and aspirations for the future; and

**WHEREAS,** it is the sense of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures that as we plan for a sustainable future for our island societies, it is increasingly more important to ensure that new generations are instilled with the core culture and societal values which define ourselves as Pacific Island peoples; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the 33<sup>rd</sup> General Assembly of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, Republic of the Marshall Islands, July 15-17, 2014, that this Assembly acknowledges and confirms the importance of the cultures and traditions of our island societies and hereby respectfully requests the governments of the member jurisdictions of the APIL to include and to prioritize the understanding, preservation and enhancement of culture and traditions in the core curriculum of their education systems and to include these values in their government projects and programs to ensure that the education of our youth and the economic development planning and social development efforts of our governments are undertaken in culturally appropriate and traditionally sustainable manners; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the APIL President shall certify, and the APIL

- 2 Secretary shall attest to the adoption hereof and that copies of the same shall thereafter be
- 3 transmitted to the Chief Executives and Presiding Legislative Officers of each member
- 4 jurisdiction of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 17th DAY OF JULY, 2014.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, ED.D. PRESIDENT

CHANG WILLIAM SECRETARY