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A RESOLUTION

Expressing, on behalf of the people and leadership of Kosrae, the sincerest gratitude and genuine appreciation to the late Reverend Elden Buck for his firm devotion, spiritual guidance, and infinite love for the people of Kosrae.

1 **WHEREAS**, the late Rev. Elden Buck was called to his eternal rest on the 13th of
2 February, 2023 in Hilo, Hawaii; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the late Rev. Elden Buck was a United Church of Christ clergyman with
4 BA and BD degrees from Phillips University and Phillips Graduate Seminary; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the late Rev. Elden Buck, with his wife, the late Alice Hanlin Buck, served
6 as missionaries of the Church on Kosrae from 1958 to 1962, where they also taught at the Kosrae
7 Christian Training School at Wot; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the late Rev. Elden Buck was a pastor of the Korean Christian Church/
9 United Church of Christ in Honolulu from 1981 to 1989 and of the First United Protestant
10 Church/ UCC of Hilo, Hawaii from 1990 to 1997; and

11 **WHEREAS**, the late Rev. Elden Buck, following his retirement in 1998, spent many
12 months on Kosrae researching and writing, while his late wife Alice continued her work as
13 coordinator of a new translation of the Kosraean Bible; and

14 **WHEREAS**, the late Rev. Elden Buck is survived by three adult children and has six
15 grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, and a step-great-granddaughter; and

16 **WHEREAS**, the late Rev. Elden Buck is famously known by the people of Kosrae as a
17 special individual who significantly helped put the people, as well as the State of Kosrae, on the

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1 globe through his renowned Island of Angels book, published in 2005. He was deeply loved and
2 his work and legacy will forever remain in the hearts of many here in Kosrae; **NOW AND**

3 **THEREFORE**

4 **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the members of the Thirteenth Kosrae State Legislature, on
5 behalf of the people and leadership of Kosrae, in recognition of his firm devotion, spiritual
6 guidance, and infinite love for the people of Kosrae, hereby extend sincerest gratitude and
7 genuine appreciations to the late Reverend Elden Buck and his family; and


8 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to
9 The Honorable Tulensa W. Palik, Governor of the State of Kosrae; Mrs. Lisa Buck Haley,
10 daughter; Mrs. Lauren Buck Medeiros, daughter; Rev. Takeo S. Likiaksa, Chairman – Kosrae
11 Pastors Council; Rev. Nena Kilafwasru – Malem Congregational Church; Rev. Allerson Alik -.
12 Tafunsak Congregational Church; Rev. Madison Nena - Utwe Congregational Church; Rev.
13 Edmond Salik - Walung Congregational Church; and President Alik S. Isaac – Etawi All.

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Date: 3/10/23

Introduced by: 
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