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A RESOLUTION

Expressing the Twelfth Kosrae State Legislature's deepest sympathy, on behalf of the people and State of Kosrae, to the passing of the late Tadao Waguk and sincerest condolences to his wife Sepe and family.

1 **WHEREAS**, the late Tadao Waguk was born on the 13th of February, 1944 and called to
2 his eternal rest on the 25th of March, 2021; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the late Tadao Waguk was among the sons of Papa Morris Waguk of Utwe,
4 who was also one of the legendary story-tellers of Kosraean folklores; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the late Tadao Waguk is survived by his wife Sepe, five sons: Takasy T.
6 Waguk a.k.a "Salik", Swanson Benjamin (adopted), Steve T. Waguk a.k.a "Satef", Franky
7 Villazon (adopted), Dano T. Waguk, and six daughters: Susan L. Timothy, Sue-Ann A. Nena
8 (adopted), Soyako A. George, Senely A. Edmond, Stephanie L. Jonas, and Emerlyn T. Waguk
9 (deceased); and

10 **WHEREAS**, the late Tadao Waguk had also diligently served the people and
11 government of Kosrae State; He began working for the Kosrae State Government as a Laborer
12 for the Department of Public Works in April of 1972, then a Survey Aide I in 1974 for Land
13 Management Kusaie, then a Laborer III for the Department of Resources & Development in
14 1982, then promoted to Surveying Aide II for the Land Management in 1983; then from January,
15 1988 to October, 1997, he was an Engineering Technician for the Department of Public Works;
16 Later in 2004, the late Tadao Waguk was hired as a Cultural Instructor for the Cultural Division
17 of the Office of Community Affairs until his retirement; and

1 **WHEREAS**, the late Tadao Waguk not only played an important role in serving the
2 people and government, but was greatly known by many as one of the last traditional story-
3 tellers of Kosraean legends, an ancestral chants performer/ instructor, a consultant/ advocate of
4 Kosrae customs, and a tour guide/ operator; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the late Tadao Waguk will always be remembered as one of the last
6 pioneers and true keepers of the Kosraean traditional way of life. Significantly recognized for his
7 cultural and traditional proficiency, the late Tadao Waguk had also represented the State of
8 Kosrae in numerous cultural events/ occasions in Pohnpei, Guam, Palau, Vietnam, and
9 elsewhere; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the late Tadao Waguk was also knowingly active in both community and
11 church affairs; he once served as a Councilman for the Utwe Municipal Government (UMG); he
12 was also the first Chairman of the Board of Directors for the Utwe Biosphere Reserve (UBR)
13 then called the Utwe Resource Management Committee (URMC); and in church, he was also an
14 avid follower of Christ, where he also served as an ordained Deacon of the Utwe Congregational
15 Church; **NOW AND THEREFORE**

16 **BE IT RESOLVED**, by the members of the Twelfth Kosrae State Legislature, Sixteenth
17 Special Session, April, 2021, in due recognition of his invaluable service and commitment to the
18 people and State of Kosrae, hereby extend its deepest sympathy to the passing of the late Tadao
19 Waguk and sincere condolences to his wife Sepe and family, and

20 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to
21 his wife Sepe Tadao Waguk and family; The Honorable Canston Segal, Mayor of the Utwe

1 Municipal Government (UMG); and to The Honorable Carson K. Sigrah, Governor of the State
2 of Kosrae.

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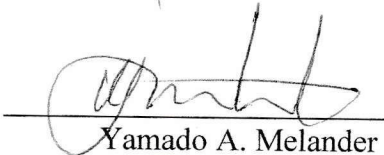
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5 Date: 5/18/21

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