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A RESOLUTION

Expressing the Twelfth Kosrae State Legislature's profound gratitude and genuine appreciation to the Kosrae Expo Delegation and to those who contributed and supported the first ever Micronesia (FSM) Expo held in the State of Pohnpei.

1 **WHEREAS**, the first ever Micronesia (FSM) Cultural Expo was hosted by the State of
2 Pohnpei during the week of July 18 to July 22, 2022. The Delegation from Kosrae consisted of
3 50 individuals that were patriotically willing to represent the State of Kosrae for the Micronesia
4 (FSM) Cultural Expo; and

5 **WHEREAS**, the State of Kosrae created a delegation that was headed by the Lt.
6 Governor, T.H Arthy G. Nena and joint by Speaker of the Twelfth Kosrae State Legislature, T.H.
7 Tulensa W. Palik and five members of Kosrae State Legislature, DOE Director Tulensru E.
8 Waguk, Ph.D., Utwe Youth Group, KVB employees and Board, R J Store, WaWa's Chips,
9 carvers, weavers and fahfah pounders; and

10 **WHEREAS**, on July 14, the Kosrae Delegation departed at Okat Harbor on the
11 Micronesia Navigator Vessel and arrived in Pohnpei on July 16, 2022. Upon their arrival on
12 Pohnpei, the Kosrae Expo Delegation was warmly welcomed by the Pohnpei Expo staff. On the
13 18th of July, the opening of Expo kicked off, where each State delegation paraded down from the
14 Pohnpei State Governor's Office to the Gymnasium. Soon right after, the Pohnpei Delegation did
15 their "A Day in Pohnpei" activities, showcasing their cultural heritage with traditional dances
16 and performances, including their infamous sakau ritual; Likewise, the week-long event was

1 completed successfully with “A Day in Yap” on the 19th, “A Day in Kosrae” on the 20th and “A
2 Day in Chuuk” on 21st of July, 2022; and

3 **WHEREAS**, during the “A Day in Kosrae”, the Kosrae Delegation started their day with
4 an opening remark from the Lt. Governor followed by the Utwe Youth Group energetic
5 performance, followed by the Nweklahp presentation by a group of ladies, with Senator Sasaki
6 George and the wife singing three numbers. Furthermore, the demonstrations also included the
7 making the traditional Kosraean um, Kosraean soup, building of Kosraean house and demo of
8 other Kosraean Cuisine. A day in Kosrae went well with the generous support and assistance
9 from the Kosrae Kolonia Congregation Church, friends and family in Pohnpei; and

10 **WHEREAS**, on July 30th, 2022, the Kosrae Delegation along with Kosraeans who were
11 planning to board went to Pohnpei dock and waited for the Micronesia Navigator to be boarded.
12 The passengers unfortunately spent a night on the Micronesia Navigator Vessel, which stirred up
13 a lot of concerned citizens and groups, such as the Muslim Community, National R&D staff,
14 voluntary individuals, and Kosraean resident in Pohnpei who graciously decided to contribute
15 water, food and other necessities to those stranded on the ship. A day later, the ship departed
16 from the Pohnpei dock on July 31st and arrived on August 2nd 2022 at the Okat dock. At last,
17 upon arrival at the Okat, refreshments and drinks were prepared by the Utwe Youth Group and
18 parents with the help of the 3 hamlets in Utwe, first lady Mrs. Minne Carson Sigrah, Second
19 Lady Mrs. Senyorina Arthy Nena, and other individuals and offices who donated in-kind

1 contributions, including the 12th Kosrae State Legislature and the Utwe Municipal Government;
2 and

3 **WHEREAS**, the Twelfth Kosrae State Legislature greatly recognizes and appreciates the
4 successful participation of the Kosrae Delegation to the first ever Micronesia (FSM) Expo and
5 also the generous support and assistances provided by certain groups and individuals throughout
6 the span of this Expo event; **now and therefore**

7 **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the members of the Twelfth Kosrae State Legislature, in
8 recognition of the contributions and assistances, hereby express their profound gratitude and
9 genuine appreciation, on behalf of the leadership and people of Kosrae, to the Kosrae Expo
10 Delegation and to those who contributed and supported the first ever Micronesia (FSM) Expo
11 held in the State of Pohnpei; and

12 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to
13 FSM President The Honorable David Panuelo; The Honorable Carson K. Sigrah, Governor of
14 the State of Kosrae; Honorable Reed Oliver, Governor of Pohnpei; The Honorable Arthy G.
15 Nena, Lt. Governor of the State of Kosrae and Head of Delegation; Mrs. Julie K. Sigrah,
16 Administrator Kosrae Visitor's Bureau; Mr. Hiroshi O. Joseph, President-Utwe Youth Group;
17 The Muslim Community of Pohnpei; Rev. Eden H. Skilling, Kosrae Kolonia Congregational
18 Church; The Honorable Canston Segal, Mayor Utwe Municipality.

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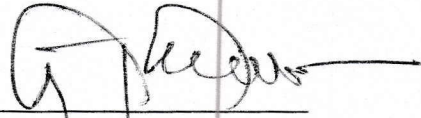
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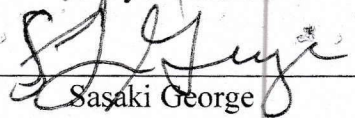
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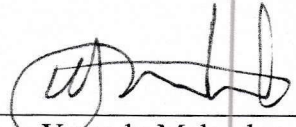
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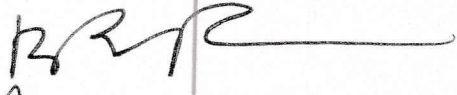
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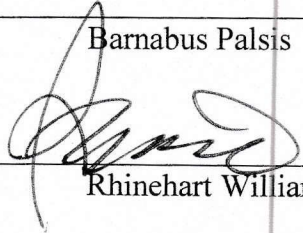

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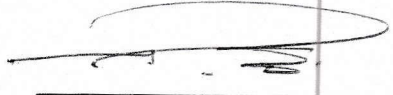

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