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**The Honorable Tina Rose Muña Barnes**  
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**VIA: The Honorable Régine Biscoe Lee**  
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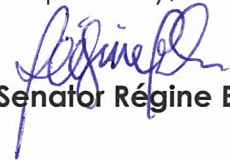
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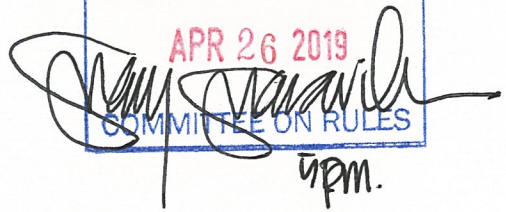
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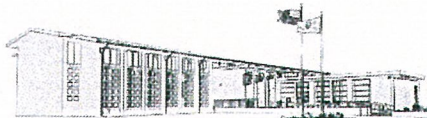
*Buenas yan Håfa adai!* Transmitted herewith is the **Committee Report on the Joint Informational Briefing on the 9<sup>th</sup> Micronesia Non-Profit Congress.**

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Respectfully,

  
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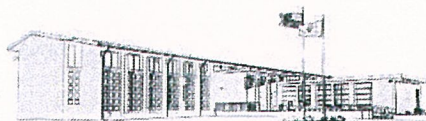
# **COMMITTEE REPORT**

**JOINT INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING**

*on*

***9th Micronesia Non-Profit  
Congress***

**By Senator Régine Biscoe Lee and  
Senator Kelly G. Marsh (Taitano), Ph.D.**



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**Régine Biscoe Lee** <senatorbiscoelee@guamlegislature.org> Fri, Mar 8, 2019 at 8:00 AM  
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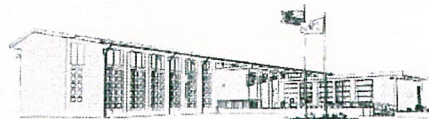
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
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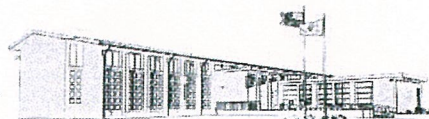
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**Joint Informational Briefing**

# AGENDA

Friday, March 15, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.  
Public Hearing Room  
Guam Congress Building, *Hagåtña*, Guam

- I. Call to Order
- II. Opening Remarks/Housekeeping
- III. Introduction of Stakeholders
- IV. Discussion
  - **9<sup>th</sup> Micronesia Non-Profit Congress**
- V. Closing Remarks/Announcements
- VI. Adjournment





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**Micronesia Nonprofit Congress 2019**  
***Community Resolutions***

**We individually and collectively commit to pursuing the following:**

1. Legislation that would require government agencies to partner with nonprofits in the provision of services to our island people.
2. Encourage and support the Governor of Guam to take a lead role in the Micronesian Island Forum (MIF) and to promote non-governmental organizations (NGOs)/civil society organizations (CSOs) partnerships.
3. Request to present at sub-regional and pacific regional organizations such as Pacific Island Forum Secretariat (PIFS), Pacific Islands Development Forum (PIDF), Micronesian Islands Forum (MIF), Pacific Islands Health Officers' Association (PIHOA).
4. Propose specific strategies to increase partnerships between the non-governmental organizations (NGOs)/civil society organizations (CSOs), private sector, chambers of commerce and government institutions.
5. Assist in providing technical assistance sessions in all of our islands to understand better Agenda 2030 and the seventeen (17) Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
6. Perform inventory of issues affecting Pacific Islanders and promoting effective results.
7. Continue to build greater capacity of governance and organizational leadership.
8. Utilize Pacific Islands Association of Non-Governmental Organizations (PIANGO) to further support the National Liaison Units to do more capacity strengthening.
9. Request US Dept. of Interior to support an assessment of non-governmental organizations contributions and collection of profiles as employers, volunteer mobilizers, and the amount of funding generated to do the work and bringing resources to our various islands.
10. Quarterly reviews of non-governmental organizations (NGOs)/civil society organizations (CSOs) participation in the respective countries Voluntary National Review (VNR) to the United Nations
11. Promote and document best practices in our services to our people in the Pacific.
12. Crafts with a Cause to help develop micro enterprise and entrepreneurship for those who are most in need of socio-economic development.
13. Support and expand annual veteran summits to address veteran homelessness and specialized services to veterans and their families.

14. Funding to Payu-ta and other National Liaison Units annually appropriated by the various legislatures.
15. Request Pacific Islands Association of Non-Governmental Organizations (PIANGO) to establish a Pacific calendar and circulate to all National Liaison Units weekly.
16. Advocate for expansion of Veterans Affairs services to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia, and Republic of Palau with the base on Guam.
17. Participate in the Regional Workforce Development Council in Micronesia administered by the various governmental labor agencies.
18. Partner with public school systems to reach parents/families with youth at risk to provide education and support.
19. Live stream sub-regional and regional events to document discussions and to share for those who are unable to attend.
20. Ensure that all sectors are represented from non-governmental organizations (NGOs), government and business sectors in sustainability and capacity strengthening events.
21. Advocate for favorable preference points in the public procurement process.
22. Provide brief of 9th Micronesia Nonprofit Congress Resolutions to Chief Executives of respective Micronesian Islands and Pacific Countries by April 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019.
23. Initiate partnership between Micronesian Conservation Trust (MCT), Pacific Islands Association of Non-Governmental Organizations (PIANGO) and other National Liaison Units (NLU) to support activities in the Pacific region.
24. Encourage more women to join non-governmental organizations and National Liaison Units.



# RESOLUTIONS FROM THE 8<sup>TH</sup> MICRONESIA NONPROFIT CONGRESS

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1. Recognize the current and ongoing issues of Housing, Employment, and Transportation with our veterans and individuals with disabilities.
2. Recognize the limitations of services and focus from those in the federal government to equal access to services for veterans in our region. Also recognized is the need to focus on collaboration with the veterans affairs office in Hawaii.
3. Recognize the social issues around human trafficking, child exploitation, intimate partner violence, and violence against women and girls. The need to continue the development of multidisciplinary response teams and coalitions to address these issues is a priority.
4. Recognize the regional issues and effects of our climate crisis, displacement of people from their island homes, as well as the loss of culture due to colonization and western impact.
5. Recognize the effects of substance abuse issues as well as sexual health not only to the community at large but the LGBTQ population. It is also recognized that there is a need to create a safe space to address topics such as these within different levels of community, including families, public organizations, and educational institutions.
6. Recognize the need to focus and take initiative on the Sustainable Development Goals. It is also recognized that there is a need to prioritize the top SDGs.
7. Recognize that there is a need to push forward with the civil society collaboration, working with other sectors of the community to prioritize and put into motion the SDGs.
8. Recognize the need for civil society organizations in Micronesia to be regulated by a PIANGO code of minimum standards, after exploring the concepts of development effectiveness and SDGs.
9. Recognize the need to explore different ways of strategic planning, its effects on nonprofit agencies, and the benefits strategic planning has on the community.
10. Recognize the need to increase membership and awareness locally and regionally to have more nonprofit agencies actively engaged towards the same goal, and moving towards a sustainable Micronesia.
11. Recognize the loss of cultural practices and the need to continue to teach the youth these practices in order to reinforce the continuation of heritage and tradition.
12. Recognize the need to utilize collective leadership in confronting challenges that stand in the way of our common goals and aspirations.





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### COMMITTEE REPORT DIGEST

#### I. OVERVIEW

The Committee on Federal and Foreign Affairs, Telecommunications, Technology, and Labor and the Committee on Heritage and the Arts, Parks, Guam Products, *Hagåtña* Revitalization, Self-Determination, and Regional Affairs convened a **Joint Informational Briefing** on Friday, March 15, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. in *Liheslaturan Guåhan*'s Public Hearing Room to discuss **the 9th Micronesia Non-Profit Congress**.

#### **Public Notice Requirements**

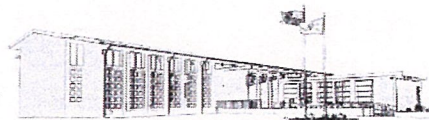
Public Hearing notices were disseminated via electronic mail to all Senators and all main media broadcasting outlets on March 8, 2019 (Five-day Notice), and again on March 13, 2019 (48-Hour Notice).

#### **Senators Present**

Senator Régine Biscoe Lee, Chairperson (Foreign Affairs)  
Senator Kelly G. Marsh (Taitano), Ph.D., Chairperson (Regional Affairs)  
Senator Therese M. Terlaje, Committee Member (Regional Affairs)  
Senator Clynton E. Ridgell, Committee Member (Foreign Affairs; Regional Affairs)  
Senator James C. Moylan

#### **Individuals Present to Testify**

Sarah Thomas-Nededog, Chairperson, *Payu-Ta*, PIANGO  
Eddie Reyes, Vice-Chairperson, *Payu-Ta*  
Keu Mataroa, Vice-Chairperson, PIANGO  
Sam Ilesugam, Board Member, *Payu-Ta*  
Lavea, Board Member, *Payu-Ta*  
Alson Kelen, Member, PIANGO  
Pilong Domingao, Representative from Palau  
Cindy Mori, Representative from Chuuk  
Kathleen Tolosa, Representative from Micronesia News Service Network





## II. SUMMARY OF TESTIMONY AND DISCUSSION

The public hearing was Called-to-Order at 2:26 p.m.

### **Chairperson Régine Biscoe Lee:**

*Buenas yan Háfa adai todus hamyo!* This Joint Informational Briefing by the Committee on Federal and Foreign Affairs, Telecommunications, Technology and Labor and the Committee on Heritage and the Arts, Parks, Guam Products, *Hagåtña* Revitalization, Self-Determination, and Regional Affairs is hereby called to order. It is now 2:26 p.m. For the record and in accordance with Section 8107 of Chapter 8, 5 GCA, public hearing notices were sent on Thursday, March 8, 2019, adhering to the five (5) working day notice and a second public notice on Tuesday, March 13, 2019, forty-eight (48) hours prior to today. In addition, this Informational Briefing was noticed on the Guam Legislature website at [www.guamlegislature.org](http://www.guamlegislature.org).

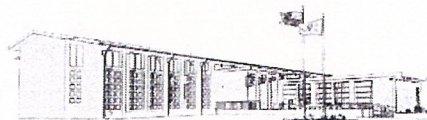
Joining me here this morning is Senator and Dr. Kelly Marsh (Taitano) and she's, again, the Chairperson of the Committee on Heritage and the Arts, Parks, Guam Products, *Hagåtña* Revitalization, Self-Determination, and Regional Affairs. And I would also like to recognize the presence of my colleagues: Senator Clynt Ridgell, Senator Therese Terlaje, and Senator Jim Moylan. We might have a number of other colleagues joining us throughout the Informational Hearing, but I just wanted to say *Si Yu'os Ma'áse'* to all of you for joining us.

On our agenda this morning is the 9th Micronesia Nonprofit Congress, which was held at the Westin Resort Guam from March 13 to March 14, 2019 and hosted by Payu-Ta, Inc., Guam's umbrella association for nonprofit organizations.

With this year's theme as "*Strengthening Communities: Our People! Our Land! Our Ocean!*", Payu-Ta, Inc. brought in Pacific island leaders with the mission to elevate the standards for island communities, and to advocate for sustainability. Key individuals representing nonprofit, business and governmental sectors explored policy and practices around issues facing Guam and the larger Micronesian region.

This Joint Informational Briefing shall serve as a forum to inform our people and the Legislature of the outcomes of this important assembly and the ways in which we can move forward given the information presented today. And I'm so pleased that we're able to do this again this year. Every time that Payu-Ta is able to have their Nonprofit Congress it's so important that you come and report back, not just to this policymaking body but to the people of Guam and hopefully our region that can tune in and view this on YouTube as well.

Just some general rules of conduct: when speaking please ensure that your microphone is on and that you're speaking into the mic so we can record what's being said. The Chair will invite individuals who've signed up to testify and individuals testifying shall first be recognized by the Chair. Please state your name and your title for recording purposes and then we'll begin with questioning

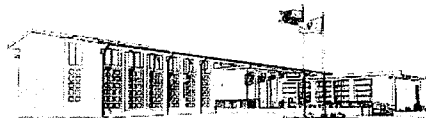


from for my colleagues after your initial presentation and each member, just in the interest of time, we want to make sure that all of the members have an opportunity to pose their questions. The questions and testimony shall be confined to the substance and the nature of this agenda and just as a clarifying note: personal inference as to the character or the motive of any Senator and individual testifying will not be permitted and with that, I'll hand it over to you Ms. Sarah Thomas-Nededog our fearless leader of Payu-Ta and many other nonprofit organizations and PIANGO to please introduce yourself and the panel. J Si Yu'os Ma'åse'. Thank you.

**Ms. Thomas-Nededog:**

Thank you, Madam Chair, Senator Biscoe (Lee). Welcome again to the Policy Forum. I'm welcoming you but this is your House; this is our House here at the Legislature but I say that because we are from PIANGO and Payu-Ta and we are just so pleased to come to the Legislature and again as Senator Lee said, we are again doing our Policy Forum and this is our ninth year. And I think it's a great idea because it's really the beginning of our presentations to you here on Guam and our Guam legislature to our people and then we take it to all the different regional policymakers and relevant organizations throughout the Pacific. So, thank you for having us here Senator Marsh, Senator Moylan, Senator Terlaje, Senator Ridgell.

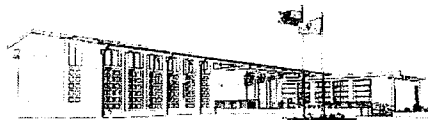
Today, I am joined by my colleagues in the Pacific from the Pacific Islands Association of Non-Governmental Organizations. To my right is Keu and they can introduce themselves a little more as they begin to speak, but Keu is the Vice Chair for PIANGO and he comes from the Cook Islands. To his right is Lavea who's from Samoa and he's also on our Board of Directors, as well as Alson Kelen from the Republic of the Marshall Islands. We have a couple of board members who were here and one that was unable to come from Solomon Islands and from Fiji. Then our Director from the Secretariat Office Emele Duituturaga was here on Guam but had to leave on Monday and she's the person that basically runs PIANGO in Suva, Fiji. To my left, I'm joined by our Payu-Ta Board of Directors. To my left is our Vice Chair Eddy Reyes from Flame Tree Empowerment Center. Next to Eddy is Sam Ilesugam, the Director of Guma' Mami, Incorporated and to his left is Kathleen Tolosa, the President of the Micronesian Youth Services Network. Joining us are our colleagues Piong Domingao from the Republic of Belau and Cindy Mori from the State of Chuuk. We also have Betty Sighra, who remains back we had a wonderful delegation from the State of Kosrae and Andy, George, Robson, Henry and Skilling Jackson and Betty Sighra is here Betty can you please wave? She's from the state of Kosrae and earlier we had Willie Kostka many of you may have known him he's an amazing person and a very passionate promoter and protector of our environment all throughout the Pacific. Willie Koska from Micronesian Conservation Trust. So I think that we've-- and we have Frances Sablan if I have not introduced her earlier from the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. I think that rounds up our general representation and again I'd like to thank that the Guam Legislature for



being with us throughout most of the week. Various members came to our variety of activities that really started on Sunday and it went on to Monday we had best practice showcase we had focus group sessions that that were focused on Veterans and homelessness, on education, workforce development and social and community issues. So the legislature was present there as well and as you noted very eloquently Senator Lee, we had the Ninth Nonprofit Congress held at the Westin Hotel on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Monday Wednesday and Thursday this week so I think every time Pacific Islanders get together and especially those of us who are very passionate about protecting and promoting our people and preserving our environment it's inspiring it's consoling and it's very motivating and when you have the partnership with the policy makers such as yourself it goes a long way. I just want to thank you for your presence this past week. I want to acknowledge governor Lou Leon Guerrero and Lieutenant Governor Josh Tenorio both of whom welcomed us at the to the government house and to the governor's office this past week and didn't just spend 15 minutes with us for a nice courtesy call but really spent hours talking with us and talking to each of the various delegates from the different islands to understand what are some of the strategies and what are some of the things that we can do to intersect and to join together because the waters join us together and it's we can't get away we're in this together and we know it we understand it and we appreciate it and to know now that we have people at the helm of our government that speak the same language as we do have the same heart that we do and are committed to the same vision the community-based organizations and community advocates like us have is really exhilarating and we're just so very thankful.

So with that in mind I'd like to share with you the resolutions that were adopted yesterday at the 9<sup>th</sup> nonprofit Congress if there are any questions or comments. Before I get to this we're open to that are there is there any one from PIANGO or Payu-ta that would like to say a few words before we get into the resolutions or would you like to wait until afterwards?

Okay thank you very much. Just a little bit of an overview at the end of each Congress we do get together and throughout the week and throughout especially the last of the two days of work in the Congress together we begin to develop our resolutions which are things that we're committed to doing in the next year. We have resolutions from the years before that also continue to be valid we use them when we make presentations to our board members to our policymakers to our chief executives, when we go to the United Nations, when we are in any, or to the federal government for that matter, or in our grant applications. Some proposals that we write we will reference the resolutions that have been passed this year last year and the year before so these resolutions serve as guides and reminders things that we are committed to doing individually as nonprofit organizations, civil society organizations, community-based entities for the coming year and we don't put it on the shelf. We look at it on a regular basis and Payu-ta and PIANGO reference them throughout the year



so we bring them forward and some of them are very clear policy related resolutions that you may consider developing or drafting bills that would speak to these if you'd like or you may see us not you may see us come back to you and say, "This is on or this is on our agenda and we'd like to ask you to join us and to support us by sponsoring a bill that speaks to it."

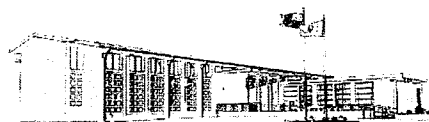
So some of these are things that we will take the lead some of these things we're going to ask you to help us with and some of these we will resolutions will go to other entities that are in the private business sector or other regional, sub regional, or global partners. I'll go ahead and how this goes is that each of us take turns presenting to you a particular resolution. So the first one will have Eddie Reyes, our vice chair share with you.

**Payu-ia Vice Chair Eddie Reyes**

Thank you Sarah, Madame Chair, senators. In line with the United Nations endorsement of the Sustainable Development Goal number 17 which encourages it promotes the public-private partnerships one of the ways we felt that it would be to help define that and solidify that partnership is two that the Congress supported legislation that would require government agencies to partner with nonprofit organizations and the provisions of services to our people and that could be done in a couple ways and when one prime example is the Republic of the Marshall Islands they actually their national liaison you know actually we just recently received an annual appropriation to help solidify the commitment of the government in order to for nonprofit organizations to help provide services to the people and improve the services another item that was brought up during that was maybe reference points could be included in requests for proposals that are are issued out and and nonprofit organizations that apply could potentially get preference points just like service disabled vets would get preference points. And I think another point that I would make would be is for legislation to encourage the private sector to also subcontract to nonprofit organizations or help employ the under-served or at-risk individuals as a way to show their commitment as far as the commitment for public-private partnerships. Thank you.

**Ms. Thomas-Nededog**

Thank you Eddie. The second is: encourage and support the Governor of Guam to take a lead role in the Micronesian Island forum and to promote non-governmental organizations, civil society and civil society organizations, partnerships. And this is pretty much what Eddie just shared and I'm very pleased to say that this is already been an area that Governor Lou, Lieutenant Governor Josh fully embraced and the Micronesian Islands Forum as many of you know is the organization of Micronesian chief executives. So, the presidents and the governor's from throughout Micronesia do convene and we understand that the the Micronesian Island forum was initially planned for the end of April but may be moved to July and will be held in the beautiful island of Chuuk and we have our representative Cindy Mori here who will be our NGO liason but of course you all are members of a PIL and we hope that you know you will do the same thing





and when you see governor Lu you know let's spur her on with NIF and do everything we can to help support her participation in my the next resolution we will ask Keu, our Vice Chair from PIANGO to share with you.

**PIANGO Vice-Chair Keu Mataroa**

Thank you, Madame Chair. Thank you also to to the legislature today. The next item is that to request to present at sub regional and pacific regional organizations such as Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat the Pacific Islands Development Forum the Micronesian Islands Forum Pacific Islands Health Officers Association. This also links on to the first two when we talk about partnerships in SDC 17 although not binding but it is a solemn declaration that countries will try and align with the SDGs and in 17 is creating their partnership but this is really to look at awareness and genuine partnership and meaningful. As we know that the social NGOs and CSOs are at the grassroots in delivering social services I think in that capacity there is more work being done around the Pacific and while I have the microphone and I've just been around the island and also noted today visiting sanctuary and I can resources they are doing a very good job and I think they should be commended us and through our Utah Battuta and also Congress thank you.

And I come to the next point is to propose specific strategies to increase partnerships between the non-government organizations. NGOs, civil society organizations, private sector, chambers of commerce and government institutions. One of the things that have come to light in the last four years is that the Pacific Islands Forum Secretariat as an example put together and adopted and as NSA disc at the at the Forum Secretariat this is really to handle and to accommodate CSOs and non-state actors and our Pacific our endowments bringing CSO's to the fore and it's been three years four years that we've actually had the opportunity as CSO leaders to sit with our leaders at the Leaders Forum and we've been very I mean we are very happy to be doing this as part of that and I'm just also happy that the Governor Lou Guerrero and Lieutenant Governor Josh.

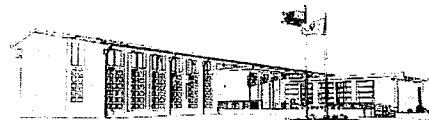
It's also highlighted that you haven't seen so desk at within the system to allow that closeness between CSOs and government. So I thank you what is the opportunity. Thank you.

**Ms. Thomas-Nededog**

Thank You Vice Chair Keu. We'd like to ask now our PIANGO board member, Lavea from Samoa to present our next resolution.

**Board Member Lavea**

Thank you, Madame Chair. Before I am taking the tasks assigned it to me, I would like to take this opportunity to say on behalf of our people from Samoa the civil society organization and PIANGO I would like to express our sincere appreciation and gratitude for this very rare opportunity to step in your Congress house and house of legislators. Thank you. Our next two resolutions is we'll seek assistance from government to assist in providing technical assistance sessions in all of our island to understand [unaudible] 2050 and the 17 sustainable



development goals. The prime and a chief goal of this is to make sure that our people in this part of the world especially of grassroots levels are not left behind. Then the other resolutions with my name on it, quarterly review of non-government organizations civil societies organizations participation in the respective countries voluntary national review to the United Nations

**Ms. Thomas-Nededog**

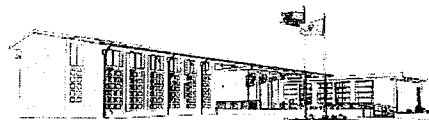
Thank you, member Lavea. We'll talk a little bit at the end for those of you that may not be familiar with the voluntary National Review that's part of agenda 2030 of the United Nations for each of the countries report out on how they're doing with the 17 sustainable development goals we have Sam Ilesugam who will now present on the next resolution

**Mr. Ilesugam**

Thank you, Madame Chair. Before I share the resolution I just want to pay my respect to our fellow government leaders—the senators, thank you for allowing us to sit in front of you this afternoon and for taking the time out to hear some of our resolutions. So the resolution one of the resolutions that we have is to perform inventory of issues affecting Pacific Islanders and from promoting effective results. This resolution came out of a lot of the discussions that we've had the last few days that this some of the discussions highlighted the fact that we share some issues across our region and now one of the things that we think we can really benefit promise to really have an inventory of the issues look at them and share information and strategies and how we work on addressing the different issues while we're requesting to partner with the government were we also want to strengthen the cooperation between the different organizations in our region. Thank you.

**Ms. Thomas-Nededog**

Thank you, Sam. The next one is continue to build greater capacity of governance and organizational leadership. So, we want you to know that when you come to the NGOs that we have our act together. We encourage and support accreditation. We encourage and support the highest standards of conduct and ethical behavior and we do training Payu-ta and PIANGO do training and technical assistance to that end. So I think that's important as we formulate and move forward together that the legislature knows that we have a commitment to those standards. We don't want to enter into a relationship with someone and we don't we ourselves don't carry out our fiduciary responsibilities or practice good governance and leadership. So it's a mainstay for us that we always have that on the top of our minds and we're always doing training consultation and pulling up with us the smaller nonprofits or the community organizations that are starting to form and there's a lot of really wonderful efforts that we see growing as a result of changing needs or a consciousness that may develop in a community and I know that you as senators will get many people coming to your office asking you questions about services or asking you to start something and we just want you to know that we're here to help support you in



that and that we're also very much dedicated to a higher standard of service and high ethical conduct.

So that's that particular resolution. The next one I will have our Vice Chair Keu discuss this with you. Number eight.

**PIANGO Vice-Chair Keu**

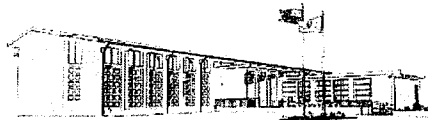
Thank you, Madame Chair, colleagues. Number eight is a... resolution eight is utilized Pacific island Association or NGOs—PIANGO, to further support the national liaison units to do more capacity strengthening. This resolution talks about a support of PIANGO to all NLUs around the Pacific as we know we have twenty-four member countries with their own members associated. For instance, I'll just give you an example of the Cook Islands. We have a hundred and eleven member groups organizations that are under our national umbrella organization but this is really seeking and in the endorsement that PIANGO becomes their conduit... becomes the organization that promotes and supports all our NLUs and one of the things in also linking it with Madame Chair's intervention in number seven is that we also part of international fora of instruments that allow a CSO to act independently however they must also be like government to be able to under undergo governance arrangements that are also in line with the laws of each of the islands. And in this case also is the opportunity for us to look deeply into other issues surrounding PIANGO's strategic plans... strategic focal points. They involve indigenous people involve women youth the people with disability and most importantly some of the issues surrounding our nation's the climate change crisis that we undertake and note and notably in [inaudible] countries. We're also looking at... we will all be in the age of 60 our generation and there is age care that we need to look at also and undertake the assessment of our elderly and policies to look after our elderly people how the notification becomes also at the top of the agenda and this by using PIANGO as the the vehicle will be able to do this so I'm hoping that we can all take this on well thank you.

**Payu-ta Vice Chair Eddie Reyes**

The next item is to request the US Department of Interior to support an assessment of non-governmental organization contributions and the collection of profiles as employer's volunteer mobilizers and the amount of funding generated to do the work and bringing resources to our various islands primarily this was we determined that too often in that we look at the input of nonprofit organizations individually but we feel that collectively we can show strength in our numbers and the fund and the amount of funding that we bring in in order to improve the services we see this as potentially being under the lead of PIANGO as the organizer of the information or the portal for this information so that you as legislators when you're looking at policy you can use it in any justification as well as to our chief executives. Thank you

**Mr. Ilesugam**

Right the next resolution is to promote and document best practices in our services to our people in the Pacific. Again this came out in our discussions and



the issues and the strategies that we utilize in different parts of the Pacific to address these issues. Because we will find that some other jurisdictions are able to address some of these issues more effectively than the latter parts we feel that if we document them and share the best practices then we can all improve the situation now in in the region as a whole. Thank you

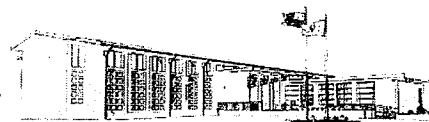
**Ms. Thomas-Nededog**

Our next resolution was specifically or specifically identified crafts with a cause and that was presented to us as a model in which we can reach out to those particularly mothers who are at home with underage or under school age children who don't have the ability or the opportunity to go out and work but should stay home or need to stay home or choose to stay home to take care of your children but at the same time need to generate some revenue and practice some skills or learn some skills that can be used to add to their family income. So I think the focus here is it could be crafts for a cause, it could be agriculture, it could be anything really in which we try to promote micro-enterprise among our people who are perhaps on welfare or have a very limited income for whatever reasons. Because if the dependency on programs welfare programs or they may not be a forever thing and it should not be it for everything but what we want to do and we want to promote is that there are some life skills and there are some vocational skills that they can learn while they are at home at the same time doing carrying out their caregiving roles and as you know and our beautiful cultures of Guam, Micronesia and the Pacific, we also care for our persons with disabilities and our elderly and we don't want to discourage that we have enough of our members of our families that have to leave home every day to go to work. And if you have a household of six you know four of them are probably out there you know trying to bring in an income to support that those six members so we need to as much as possible find ways in which we can reach out to these families who are at home for whatever reasons and find micro-enterprise and other small business opportunities to help them gain greater income.

So that was really a wonderful discussion and it resulted in in a resolution and crafts where the cause was just an example of what can happen from that.

**Payu-Ta Vice Chair Eddie Reyes**

The next actually two items I'm going to cover are specific to services for our veterans. It's to support and expand annual veteran summits to address veterans' homelessness and specialized services to veterans and their families as well as to advocate for expansion of veteran services to the Commonwealth of Northern Marianas, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of Palau with the base on Guam. There was a support from our brothers and sisters and from the outer islands to look at services on Guam preserves an effort to establish a community living center here on the island and it seemed like there was overwhelming support of that. But the other thing too is we're very fortunate that one of our brothers from Kosrae has actually been appointed by the Secretary of Veteran Affairs to be of the minority



veterans' committee and he's represented and when we met with Governor Lou Leon Guerrero rural she indicated that the Secretary of Veteran Affairs would be coming to the island. So I think this is really an opportunity especially under the new legislature and the new administration that we might be able to be well-prepared for that meeting so that we can really push our agenda because this a great opportunity that should not be missed and our request would be to ensure that our brother from Kosrae is invited to that event and it would be helpful for him to bring information but this is the opportunity for us to really collect the data that's needed to support you know increased funding in this particular area, much needed area. Thank you.

**Ms. Thomas-Nededog**

Madame Chair we are at number 14 we'd like to ask our sister from the Republic of Belau attendant girl to report on number 14.

**Representative from Republic of Palau, Pulong**

Good afternoon. Before I say something, I just wanted to say that I'm honored and very humbled to be in front of you and I'm bringing greetings from the islands of Republic of Palau. Okay, number 14 is funding to Payu-ta and other national liaison units and [inaudible] appropriate by various legislature and I'm very impressed during this course of this one week that we've been here that how much support Payu-ta is getting from the government as well as the legislature. So I would like and as well as RMI so we really like to see if we can work talk to your colleague from APIL because in Palau that they're really that not that partnership between the government and the CSO so I really would like to see if we can have a little side discussion with your fellow people—senators and leaders from Palau in regards to funding for the CSO. This is first under SDG number 17 performing the [inaudible] seven and it's not in our part of our constitution that it's really that division between I mean there is really new but this is the only time possible reporting. Palau is reporting for the voluntary national report in July and it's... the NGO liaison office that sort of bringing the government, bringing us into the picture bringing forcing the government to sit down and you know discuss this this SDG so I would like to explain right now we don't have any funding so if they can appropriate some real funding for the CSO and all the NDL use Thank you very much.

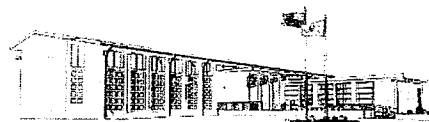
**Ms. Thomas-Nededog**

Alison will report on 15. Thank you, Pulong.

**PIANGO Representative Alison Kelen**

Oh yeah, thank you. The next one is request Pacific Islands Association Non-Governmental Organization or PIANGO to establish a Pacific calendar and circulate to all national liaison units weekly. This is very important because we as we all scatter all of the Pacific you know there are many opportunities that we could share and you know to enhance our individual any reuse and this is a especially now this is a pretty crucial thing that we need to do.

**Ms. Thomas-Nededog**





Thank You Alison and I just want to say we're going to share that with you as well. Because just in the next six months we have incredible regional sub regional global events where oftentimes Guam is absent and the joy of the position that Guam is in—and I have said this many times Guam's an anomaly because we are closely aligned with the United States but yet we are Pacific Islanders, so we have the opportunity to connect with our Pacific island brothers and sisters and be at the UN through them through the United Nations or go through the United States and also be at the UN so we have that opportunity so thank you Allison for bringing that up. I'd like to ask Cindy Mori from the state of Chuuk to report on number 17.

**Representative from Chuuk, Cindy Mori**

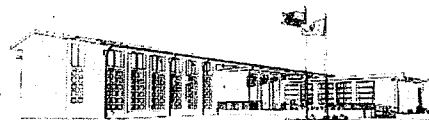
Okay. Thank You Chair. Thank you before I go and I'd like to pay my respects to this honorable body and thank you for this opportunity to be here [speaks Chuukese] and [speaks Chuukese] from the state of Chuuk. okay number 17 discusses participation in the regional workforce development council in Micronesia administered by the various governmental labor agencies. This might require legislation and policy formalizing or organizing our island nations and requiring improvement in our workforce as we strive to improve our respective economic conditions individually and collectively within our blue continent, within our Pacific. Case in point, is current legislation appropriating funds to commission a study justifying the need for a Workforce Development Center in Chuuk this is currently ongoing and we're optimistic that this will come to fruition and we'll see this very soon thank you.

**Ms. Thomas-Nededog**

Thank You Cindy. I'd like to ask Kathleen Tolosa from the Micronesia News Service Network to report out on 18 and 19.

**Micronesia News Service Network Representative, Kathleen Tolosa**

Thank you Madame Chair, and before I move on I would like to acknowledge on behalf of the youth serving organizations under the membership of the Micronesia youth services network we thank you for creating this space just for the youth. I'd like to present resolution number 18 partnering their public school systems to reach families and parents with youth at risk to provide education and support. With the high suicide rates that we have here at home, at least ten days we have a new suicide attempt completed with the STD rates increasingly increasing and with a third of the new infections in our youth population between the ages of 15 to 24 and with addressing the racial bias and disparities and all these social determinants of health that are affecting our youth I would like to ask your support in creating a school-based health services providing easier access to these critical resources that will increase the likelihood of our youth to succeed academically and also to provide family preservation programs through partnership with NGOs here in our home. I'd like to even go further in challenging our community to explore a youth consortium that will regularly convene youth serving entities from the government private and nonprofit sectors to decrease these negative social determinants of health



through collaborative partnerships. I think it really will embody the proverb that says, "it takes a village to raise a child."

The next resolution that I would like to present is a live streaming of subregional and regional events that will be presented. Payu-ta would like to take the lead of the legislature and having the same tools that will further close the gap and allow our large ocean States a little bit closer to each other and share these policies and best practices that have been proven effective in protecting our communities. Thank you.

**PIANGO Representative Alson Kelen**

I am going to... So, the next resolution is resolution number 20. To ensure that all sectors are represented from non-government organization NGOs government and business sectors in sustainable and capacity strengthening events. I think this is very important too in order to address our issues in our countries and also as we with our brother countries throughout the Pacific Islands and also right now as our countries, some of our countries are doing their NVR and working on the agenda 2030 and SDGs. Thank you.

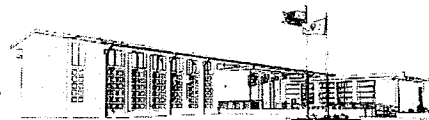
**Payu-ta Vice Chair Eddie Reyes**

I bet I basically addressed resolution 21 and my initial remarks on resolution number one but I'll go ahead and read it advocate for a favorable preference points in the public procurement process. Resolution 22 is to provide on the brief of the Ninth Micronesia Nonprofit Congress resolutions to the chief executives of the respective Micronesian islands and Pacific countries by April 15 2019. This is in line with the support and that we received from Governor Lou Leon Guerrero and Lieutenant Governor Josh Tenorio to help promote and support the public-private partnerships. Thank you.

**PIANGO Vice Chair Keu Mataroa**

Thank you again, Madame Chair. Resolution 23 looking at the initiate partnerships between Micronesian conservation trusts the Pacific Islands sociation of NGOs beyond go and other national liaison units to support activities in a Pacific region. This is an initiative that arose yesterday during the Congress and it was one that falls into the area of being recognized at the United Nations in the in the PIANGO is an ECOSOC entry point into the United Nations along with the Pacific Disability Foundation and to note yesterday we found out that this is another third Pacific island group that have access to the United Nations and this is really in putting together a strong voice for the Pacific to the United Nations. As we all know this is one of six of the principal organs of the United Nations where debate and a lively reflection of issues surround especially for the nation Pacific Island countries those who are registered with PIANGO with Battuta will have access to the United Nations ECOSOC system and to certify that they are a genuine a group of people and this is one thing that we would like to build on out of this Congress to ensure that we did have this support from each of our regional organizations and national liaison units. Thank you very much.

**Ms. Thomas-Nededog**



Thank you Vice Chair. Pilon, please report on 24.

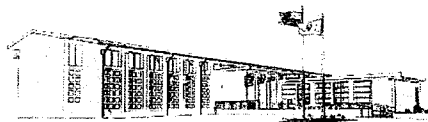
**Representative from Republic of Palau, Pilon**

Okay, our resolution number 24, the last resolution, is to really encourage more women to join our governmental organization, the national liaison units. This is just to go out for us like I may as a member of an NGO to sort of go out there and encourage those who are especially the marginalized groups—they will be a great help if we are going to recruit them to be part of the national unit in their own perspective and their... especially in the social issues I'm very passionate about the social issues I really encourage that women if we get them together if they can be a part they can benefit from the services that we are providing and they'll be made the world can be helped them too.

**Ms. Thomas-Nededog**

Thank You Paloma and members of our PIANGO and Payu-ta Board of Directors. I want to do a summary of our our presentation and I know that you may not know all the different things that we do and when we go back home other than being board members but the organizations that we represent for example the Cook Islands there they have 111 NGOs that are under their umbrella organization so in every one of our areas we have you know as small as 10 and up to 300 civil society and nonprofit organizations who are on the ground doing work with persons with disabilities persons with behavioral health issues dealing with drug and alcohol problems dealing with domestic violence. We collectively in PIANGO strategize to deal with some very serious and complicated issues such as international human trafficking, the current climate crises where some of our islands even in Micronesia are already under water, of the lack of or minimal access to quality health care. Of course we struggle with continuously in my 42 years of work in human services, employment, housing and education for all of our people and Guam still one of the seventeen on the UN's list of colonies—colonized areas so self-determination is a very big part of what we do at PIANGO as well. So I wanted to share that with you and to also let you know some many years ago the Association of Pacific Island Legislators, APIL of which you are all members of took in Payu-ta as a sister organization and later on several years later took on the Micronesia Youth Service Network as a sister organization and you know of course that Ayuda Foundation is also another sister organization. So every general assembly of APIL and every board of directors they're supposed to be space there for us to report out and to make recommendations and suggestions to you our policy makers about the state of affairs. So, I just wanted to make that note to you about our relationship with APIL. I also want to share that it was referenced earlier by Keu that there's holding three Pacific groups that are part of ECOSOC which is the economic and social arm of the United Nations and this group is what really feeds issues into the United Nations and PIANGO and the Pacific Disabilities Forum and the Conservation Society Trusts are the three in the Pacific.

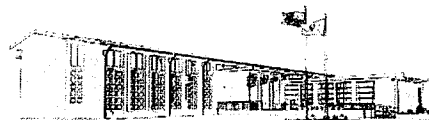
So it is through these three entities that we can partner together to bring our issues to the United Nations. So... I really want us to capitalize on this wonderful



opportunity that we have to bring our issues from self-determination to international human trafficking to quality health care for the AAPI community outside of the continental United States or outside of the United States or within our sub regions for so I invite you to partner with us to work through these entities. To go to the United Nations with our issues. the it was also referenced that what is called the National Volunteer Review is where the Pacific Islands goals before the United Nations and reports out what the progress is of Agenda 2030. Agenda 2030 is the roadmap that our global community through the United Nations has committed to so it includes 17 sustainable development goals from education poverty sanitation to 17 which we've referenced several times today which necessitates and encourages the partnership between government, the nonprofit and civil society, private business and regional south-south north-south relationships.

But partnerships so that we can together make sure that the 16 sustainable development goals are being reached. Now our challenge on Guam is that somewhere in the federal government they're reporting out somewhere and that link to this day has not been found because no one has been able to say this is the federal agency that's taking the lead for the United States. So we have a choice of going either which way going through and finding the entity within the United States that reports out to the United Nations on agenda 2030... we could actually do both and/or work through the PIANGO to report out and to influence the United Nations for Agenda 2030. So as I said we're an anomaly but we're actually in an awesome place to work it both ways as Pacific Islanders and as US citizens. what has also become alarming to us this past week is to know that Guam has returned millions of dollars to the federal government because they've been unspent or programs that haven't been implemented as they should have millions. And when millions of dollars are returned to the federal government it sends really three messages. One: we're poor planners. Two: we really don't have a need. Three: we don't have the talent to make it happen. We propose to you that none of those are true. We do in fact have a capacity to be good planners. we do have many unmet needs in this community and we do have the talent and we ask you we plead with you in your role as policymakers and those that help keep our government accountable in our community motivated and directed that we work very hard collectively not to let this happen this is the end in two weeks we will end a second quarter of this fiscal year that means we have six months to determine how much money we are going to return to the federal government and if the number now is 50 million I would like to say let's get on the stick now and let's see how we can reduce that number together I by no means are saying that the nonprofit community can do it all certainly the government of Guam can't do it all the private business sector can't do it all but I'll tell you for sure if we commit together we can do we can make a dent.

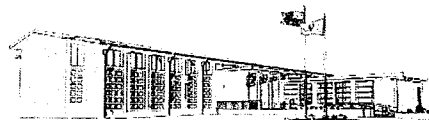
So we have six months to make sure that we put a dent in that figure and not let that be what we're going to report out next year. That we return millions of dollars



of unspent monies to the federal government and I ask you to please put that on the top of your agenda. Some of you we are already on speed-dial and tax and we will do we make that commitment to you we will do everything we can to make sure that we stay within the realm of the rules and regulations of all these federal grants of which all of us know very well but implement those programs so that our people get the services that were intended for them and the support that they need and and of course you know who suffers from it the ones that are most vulnerable and disenfranchised facts are people who suffer from the return of these funds the other area we want to have a special session with any of your committees or the committees that you think is best to really understand Agenda 2030 and all the sustainable development goals so that we can craft out our strategy here a Guam and we can model that throughout the Pacific in through APIL and through... the other issue that I want to make sure was also brought up is... I'm sure that you can imagine that with the federal government we have some limitations in terms of gaining their support—although we already know we're returning some money but there are some limitations and coming together as a sub region or region is really important. Because for example PIANGO has support from the European Union. Our brothers and sisters who sit around the table have support from Australia and New Zealand. And so together we work collectively in the nonprofit sector to minimize the barriers that were presented with oftentimes in government we have layers and layers of bureaucracies that we need to contend with which is very understandable and necessary but we suggest to you that there are some things that the nonprofit sector and civil society can carry out that may be able to get beyond some of those an expedite and to ensure greater efficiency and because the amount of work that we do and money we get can leverage far more than oftentimes what our government is able to do.

In other words, you give us a dollar I will tell you right now your return is going to be like three, four times that amount. Because we're able to get volunteers, we're able to get businesses to participate with us and we're able to get the cooperative cooperation and collaboration we were also very pleased by the commitment that Governor Lou and Lieutenant Governor Joshua made to us and they said two things. One: they're going to have a desk at the governor's office for the nonprofit sector. So there is going to be a desk—we actually we saw the desk. It is actually there at the governor's office ready for us to occupy. The second thing they committed to is meeting with us quarterly to go over what these issues are what the status is and what are some ways that we can intersect and support each other we have that first meeting on was in Monday, March 11. We come to you humbly to ask you to also commit to a quarterly meeting with the nonprofits and with and with that I would like to close our comments unless anyone from our panel would like to make closing remarks... or is there anyone that would like to make additional remarks?

**Representative from Republic of Palau, Pulong**



Could I just say something? My colleagues note here I'm really passionate about this partnership and relationship but as Keu mentioned, in the in the Pacific Island Forum they have accommodating the CSO in the private sector so we have organization be calling pit so it's a private sector as well sec so we they do have a desk in the Pacific Island Forum office but iron Guam is not a part of PIFA then I would really like us every time there's about the the forum the Pacific Islands Forum they get to see us or in the private sector to sit there and talk and then they present... giving them a space for the private sector and for CSOs to do to bring in their issues into them and Keu and I have been a part of this. So I'm really I really would like to see that happen in the North Pacific because you are not part of the PIF so you're not in that area. So I would really like to see that we have same type of a model here in the Pacific before APIL or before me for so we can sit down together because at the end of the day we're serving the same people. Yeah the government, the private sector, that the CSO's are serving the same people so I think it's really important that we sit down together that we have that dialogue between us before and then present our position to the leaders in the greater Micronesian area

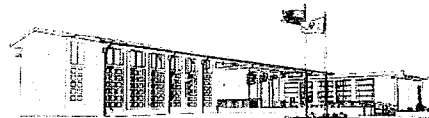
So I really would like to just to see that. If you can work on that and see how, I will do my part when I go on but I think that's really important because I just want to make sure because we do have a voice in the Pacific and PIFF but CNMI and Guam doesn't and I want that sort of type of a matter because I see it's very effective for that communication and dialogue between the leaders so thank you very much.

**Chairperson Biscoe Lee**

Thank you very much Sarah and team for sharing all of these awesome community resolutions from this latest nonprofit Congress and at this time I just wanted to give my colleagues an opportunity to make any comments or ask any questions of the panel we have with us a chair of the Committee on Economic Development, Agriculture, Maritime Transportation, Power and Energy Utilities and Emergency Response Senator Clynt Ridgell, the floor is yours.

**Senator Clynt Ridgell**

Thank you, senator. I just want to say I'm very happy to be here and I commend all of you for all the hard work that you all do with these different NGOs and NPOs right? Nonprofit organizations? I think it's wonderful I'm here to support you any way I can you know let me know if there's anything we can do to support you I appreciate a lot of the points there's a lot of great things in these with 24 different points here. There's a lot of a lot of great things in here. One in particular I want to touch on is number 18 right... partnering with the public school system to reach out to parents and families with youth at risk... and I've been meeting with some members of the Micronesian student organizations of the different high schools I've met with them a couple times to start talking to start this dialogue about what we can do to help improve their situations in the public school system and reach out to them to find out what are their challenges and what they can do to help encourage their fellow students from the different





islands in the FAs region that are going to school here on Guam, living here on Guam how they can improve not only the stereotype and sort of the negative stigma attached to them and provide a positive stereotype and change the conversation from a negative conversation to a positive conversation. And also how they can help add sort of a reverse peer pressure where the good kids are peer pressuring the kids who are getting into trouble I don't want to say bad kids I don't think anyone's a bad person I think people get into trouble and do bad things right so we need to work on sort of reverse peer pressuring them and that's what I spoke to some of these kids about and I like that that's one of the issues you have here's is reaching out to parents and families with the youth that are at risk and finding out ways to address that and as she was mentioning it takes a village to raise a child kind of attitude I think that's something we need to really look at more and so I commend you for having that as one of your points here and anything any way I can help you with that please let me know thank you.

**Chairperson Biscoe Lee**

Thank you very much, senator and we also have joining us Senator Therese Terlaje and she is the chairperson of the Committee on Health, Tourism, Historic Preservation, Land and Justice.

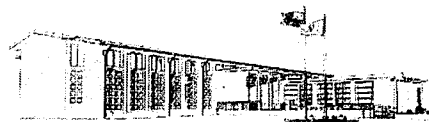
**Senator Therese Terlaje**

Thank you all for being here today and congratulations on your 9th Congress, your successful work that you've done all throughout the year. It's inspiring to us that you're very dedicated to this and I appreciate your presentation today it has very practical recommendations it also shows us what you are going to work on and it gives us recommendations on what we can work on and how we can help and I also like the comments that you made Sarah regarding strategy and I agree that there the issues that we are addressing in our region are they require a united strategy in and we have to be there as smart as we absolutely can be and we have no shortage of that but we just need to get it together and so I want to thank you all thank you very much for all your work.

**Chairperson Biscoe Lee**

*Si Yu'os Ma'ase* senator, and I also really want to thank you all so much for your time and your dedication and your individual roles but for coming together as you always do to really put your heads together and come up with these very solid resolutions and you know these are it's kind of a blueprint for us to continue the work. I also circulated last year's resolutions to my colleagues. So one of the things that jumped out to me last year that was really striking that one of your members had presented and I think it's also presented in this year strategy but really a focus and I know that you might have some exciting things to report perhaps on the domestic violence and sexual assault front. I think when we had this conversation last year there was a member organization that brought it to our attention and asked that we push it with our colleagues at APIL and I think there's been some progress on that score, Sarah can you please update us?

**Ms. Thomas-Nededog**



Yes, there was a law that was recently passed and it was written and Sam has gone to APIL and so has Kat but I believe that law was passed in Pohnpei and it was landmark legislation because now they have laws that protect women and children from domestic violence and I can ask Kat or Sam if you want to speak further to that?

**Micronesia News Service Network Representative, Kathleen Tolosa**

Thank you, Madame Chair. I believe our colleague were Stella Jack she's an attorney that has been working with many of the CSO's in Pohnpei pushed for that legislation and also want to make sure make a mention that Kosrae had also passed a similar legislation.

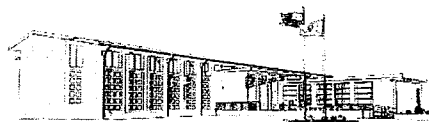
**Chairperson Biscoe Lee**

Thank you so much. I think that just goes to show that these examples of these resolutions that we that we place out we kind of put the marker out and everybody needs to rush to meet those markers and you know a lot of the members of Payu-ta and our colleagues in other legislators are working really hard to address these very important goals and I think it just helps to give us a little bit of light at the end of that tunnel that we can continue to push forward. There's many issues, you mentioned with youth some with our veterans that were working with our local organizations to address obviously domestic violence and sexual assault is a huge challenge that we all have in all of our different island nations as well as substance abuse and you know the list goes on and on but I think it's important that we stop every once in a while and acknowledge the progress that's been made and just use that to sustain us for the fight as we continue.

I also just wanted to give you the opportunity Sarah to just give us contact information for Payu-ta and a website so the folks that are listening or watching online or watching on TV if they so desire to connect with you and all of the different nonprofit organizations under Payu-ta if they'd like to volunteer or lend support how might they be able to do that.

**Ms. Thomas-Nededog**

Thank you, senator. I do want to add to you and to all the Senators of our Guam legislature as well as the members of APIL that if any legislator or legislature would like to introduce any of these resolutions from this year or the previous year will be like your extension of your staff will go and mobilize the community to come in and to do you know to bring oral and written testimony before you to support these so I want you to know that you're not going to be we're not going to just give this to you and you're all on your own but we will be there to support any legislation that you should introduce that is around these issues and our or relevant issues and we want you to be able to use us as reference and you can also use this to cite in your draft legislation and you can call on us from Guam or from any part of the region or in the Pacific and we've done this before as well when legislatures come up we've gone to our PIANGO office and said, "Can you research what legislation around the 24 countries have been adopted similar to



this?" and then we've done that so I just want you to know that we're also very pleased and humbled if we could be a resource to you.

So we have Yvonne Naputi who is our Pacific Partnership liaison. She plays many roles with us at West Care Pacific Island but that's one of her key and she can speak to the contact information for Payu-ta and PIANGO.

**Ms. Naputi**

Thank you Madame Chair, and contact information for Payu-ta, the phone number is 969-2613, they can send us an email at [payutainc@gmail.com](mailto:payutainc@gmail.com) and they can also check out our website at [www.payu-ta.org](http://www.payu-ta.org). Thank you.

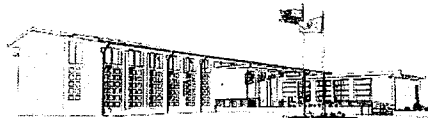
**Chairperson Biscoe Lee**

Excellent. Thank you so much. I also would be remiss if I didn't mention 17 and 19, those deal directly with the committee that I chair. So that's the Committee on Federal and Foreign Affairs, Tech and Telecommunications and Labor so the regional Workforce Development Council is something that I'm very interested as well as live streaming sub regional and regional events to document our discussions I think that's really important and before we close today I also want to commit to you that we will look forward to scheduling at depending on our schedules I want to schedule another info briefing so you can update us on the UN sustainable development goals and we can develop further strategy around that as well as a quarterly update with our nonprofit organization so I am happy to continue our work with you I think that the work that you all do on a daily basis is so important and really helping to fill in the gaps where government and our business sector is unable so thank you, *un dankalo' yan Si Yu'os Ma'ase* on behalf of all of the people of Guam on behalf of my colleagues thank you so much colleagues for joining me and just as we close out this informational briefing I just really want to say *Si Yu'os Ma'ase* for all of your hard work so the Committee on Federal and Foreign Affairs, Telecommunications, Technology and Labor and the Committee on Heritage and the Arts, Parks, Guam Products, Hagåtña Revitalization, Self-Determination and Regional Affairs hereby concludes this joint informational briefing. Additional written testimonies may be submitted through email to [senatorbiscoelee@uamlegislature.org](mailto:senatorbiscoelee@uamlegislature.org) or they may be hand-delivered to our offices at 163 Chalan Santo Pápa right here at the Guam Congress Building. This joint informational briefing is now adjourned. The time is 3:45 p.m. and again *un dangkao' yan Si Yu'os Ma'ase*, thank you so much.

The public hearing was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

### III. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee on Federal and Foreign Affairs, Telecommunications, Technology, and Labor and the Committee on Heritage and the Arts, Parks, Guam Products, *Hagåtña* Revitalization, Self-Determination, and Regional Affairs



hereby report that this briefing allowed for the present senators to become more well versed in issues pertaining to Micronesia's nonprofit sector.

