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A RESOLUTION

Expressing heartfelt sympathy and sincere condolences of the House of Representatives to the family, relatives and friends of the late Honorable David Piano Welle, former Representative of the Chuuk State Legislature, for his untimely passing.

1           **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable David Piano Welle was born on March 13, 1958 into the  
2 family of Piano Welle and Tikiri Nonumwar with seventeen (17) siblings: eight (8) brothers and  
3 nine (9) sisters; and

4           **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable David P. Welle married his wife Ridae Tomita Welle on  
5 January 31, 1981 and were later blessed with 10 sons and many grandchildren; and

6           **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable David P. Welle began his education at the Iras Elementary  
7 School, Weno Chuuk State; and

8           **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable David P. Welle commenced his secondary education at  
9 the Moen Junior High School, later transferred to Xavier High School for his junior year and  
10 further transferred to Chuuk High School for his senior year where he graduated and obtained his  
11 high school diploma; and

12           **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable David P. Welle pursued his postsecondary education at  
13 the University of Wisconsin in River Falls, Wisconsin where he majored in Agriculture Economics  
14 and Political Science; and

15           **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable David P. Welle began his professional career as a captain  
16 and criminal investigator at the Chuuk State Department of Public Safety from January 1982 to  
17 October 1991; and

18           **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable David P. Welle was later employed as an investigator by  
19 the Law Offices of Del Priorie & Gumataotao, Guam from 1991 to 1994; and

20           **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable David P. Welle was elected by the people of the Northern  
21 Namoneas Region to represent them in the House of Representatives, Chuuk State Legislature  
22 from 1995 to 1999 where he was appointed as Chairman of the Judiciary and Governmental  
23 Operations Committee and was also elected to serve as Floor Leader; and

1           **WHEREAS**, after serving as a public official, the late Honorable David P. Welle was  
2 employed as the Chief of the Chuuk State Historic Preservation Program, Division of Commerce  
3 and Industry from 1999 to 2020; and

4           **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable David P. Welle was appointed and served as the Deputy  
5 Director of the Department of Public Safety from June 2020 to 2025; and

6           **WHEREAS**, in addition to his extensive work experience and years of public service as  
7 an elected official, the late Honorable David P. Welle participated in a number of special trainings  
8 where he obtained numerous qualifications and certifications; and

9           **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable David P. Welle was also a devoted Christian who on April  
10 08, 1989 was ordained Deacon/Sounkoa for the Bethlehem United Church of Christ, Sapuk, Weno  
11 Chuuk; on August 01, 1998 became an advisor for the Neauo Young Christian Association, Neauo,  
12 Weno Chuuk; and from 2003 to 2025 was ordained as Soupetak, Wonporun and later as Senior  
13 Pastor for the Ngasangas Church, Sapuk, Weno Chuuk State; and

14           **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable David P. Welle dedicated years of his life to public service  
15 and played a profound role in the development of his region and the whole State of Chuuk; and

16           **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable David P. Welle was an influential and respectful leader of  
17 his community, family and Church who will surely be missed by many; and

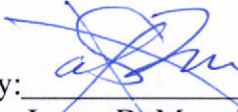
18           **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable David P. Welle was called to his eternal resting place on  
19 April 01, 2025; and

20           **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable David P. Welle is survived by his wife Ridae Tomita  
21 Welle, his ten (10) sons and many grandchildren; now therefore

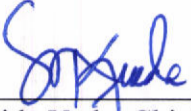
22           **BE IT RESOLVED** by the House of Representatives of the Eighteenth Chuuk State  
23 Legislature, First Regular Session, April 2025, that the House of Representatives hereby expresses  
24 its heartfelt sympathy and sincere condolences to the family, relatives and friends of the late  
25 Honorable David Piano Welle, former Representative of the Chuuk State Legislature, for his  
26 untimely passing; and

27           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to  
28 the wife and family of the late Honorable David P. Welle; the Honorable Arno H. Kony, President  
29 of the Senate, Chuuk State Legislature; the Honorable Alexander R. Narruhn, Governor of the  
30 State of Chuuk; and the Honorable Jayson Robert, Chief Justice of the Chuuk State Supreme Court.

Signed by: \_\_\_\_\_

  
Lester D. Mersai, Speaker  
House of Representatives  
Eighteenth Chuuk State Legislature

Attested by:



Merida Ueda, Chief Clerk  
House of Representatives  
Eighteenth Chuuk State Legislature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

4/23/2025

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**HISTORY**

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**EW TUNGOR**

Epwe pwáratá usun turutiwen netip pwan wei kapwongen chuupwun me netipeta ngeni family, aramasan me chiechian má we Amafen David Piano Welle, emon mi piin wiiseni ewe wiis Representative non ewe Annepwungun Mwuun Chuuk, ren weitáán an sopwonó.

1           **PWOKITEN**, má we Amafen David Piano Welle ii a upwutiw non ewe March 13,  
2   1958 ngeni ewe family an Piano Welle me Tikiri Nonumwar fiti fengeni me engon me fumön  
3   (17) neur átt me nengin: wanimön (8) átt pwan tiwemön (9) nengin; pwan

4           **PWOKITEN**, má we Amafen David P. Welle a pwupwunu ngeni Ridae Tomita Welle  
5   non ewe January 31, 1981 mwirin ra pwan neuni 10 átt me pwan chomong neuneuwin neur  
6   kewe; pwan

7           **PWOKITEN**, má we Amafen David P. Welle a pwopwutááni an kaeo non ewe Iras  
8   Elementary School, Weno Chuuk State; pwan

9           **PWOKITEN**, má we Amafen David P. Welle apwan sopwenó an secondary education  
10   non ewe Moen Junior High School, mwirin apwan sopweenó non ewe Xavier High School  
11   non an junior year pwan sopweenó an kaeo non ewe Chuuk High School non an senior year  
12   ikewe ie ii a sochungio angei neun high school diploma; pwan

13           **PWOKITEN**, má we Amafen David P. Welle apwan sopweenó an kaeo non  
14   postsecondary education non ewe University of Wisconsin non River Falls, Wisconsin ikkewe  
15   ie ii a major non pekin Agriculture Economics me Political Science; pwan

16           **PWOKITEN**, má we Amafen David P. Welle a pwopwutááni an angaang an a emon  
17   captain pwan emon criminal investigator non ewe Chuuk State Department of Public Safety  
18   seni January 1982 ngeni October 1991; pwan

19           **PWOKITEN**, má we Amafen David P. Welle mwirin apwan emon investigator me  
20   ren ewe Law Offices of Del Priorie & Gumataotao, Guam seni 1991 ngeni 1994; pwan

21           **PWOKITEN**, má we Amafen David P. Welle a kefinitá me ren aramasan Northern  
22   Namoneas Region an epwe tupwuniir non ewe Utten Representatives, Annepwungun Mwuun  
23   Chuuk seni 1995 ngeni 1999 ikewe ii a kefinitá ngeni ewe wiis Chairman non ewe Judiciary

1 and Governmental Operations Committee pwan kefinitá an epwe wiiseni ewe wiis Floor  
2 Leader; pwan

3 **PWOKITEN**, me mwirin an Representative, ii apwan angang sefáán ngeni ewe  
4 Chuuk State Historic Preservation Program, Division of Commerce and Industry an a emon  
5 Chief seni 1999 ngeni 2020; pwan

6 **PWOKITEN**, má we Amafen David P. Welle apwan kefinitá ngeni ewe wiis Deputy  
7 Director non ewe Putain Public Safety seni June 2020 ngeni 2025; pwan

8 **PWOKITEN**, watten ne rasen an angang pwan chomong ierin an akkaninis ngeni  
9 aramas nupwen an kefin ngeni neuwis, má we Amafen David P. Welle apwan fiti chomong  
10 kinikinin special trainings pwan watte an nipwakeoch me an tufich non chomong kinikinin  
11 angang; pwan

12 **PWOKITEN**, má we Amafen David P. Welle emon mi nikitw ngeni an souneng  
13 pwopwuta me non ewe April 08, 1989 an a efeioch ngeni ewe wiis Deacon/Soukoa ngeni ewe  
14 mwiichefenin Bethlehem United Church of Christ, Sapuk, Weno Chuuk; non August 01, 1998  
15 a emon advisor ngeni ewe Neauo Young Christian Association, Nepauo, Weno Chuuk; pwan  
16 seni 2003 ngeni 2025 apwan efeioch ngeni ewe wiis Soupetak, Wonporun pwan mwirin apwan  
17 wiiseni ewe wiis Senior Pastor ngeni ewe Ngasangas Church, Sapuk, Weno Chuuk State;  
18 pwan

19 **PWOKITEN**, má we Amafen David P. Welle a fangetááni an fansoun non an mochen  
20 anisi aramas me oturesi pwenuwetáán nenian tori non unusan ei State of Chuuk; pwan

21 **PWOKITEN**, má we Amafen David P. Welle emon mwáán mi fakkun watte ne rasen  
22 an angang pwan emon sou emwen mi watte sufenin me ren aramasan nenian, an family tori  
23 an ewe mwiichefen pwan chomong aramas repwene mweninó me mwirin an ei sopwonó;  
24 pwan

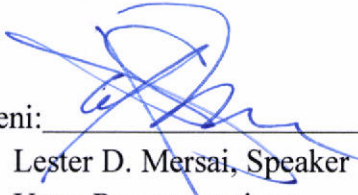
25 **PWOKITEN**, má we Amafen David P. Welle a kö ngeni an nekien asösö fochofoch  
26 non ewe April 01, 2025; pwan

27 **PWOKITEN**, má we Amafen David P. Welle a nikitatiw pwunuwan ren Ridae Tomita  
28 Welle, neun kewe engon (10) átt pwan fiti me chomongen neun neun kewe; iei mine

29 **EPWE PWUNG** seni ewe Utten Representatives non ewe Engon Me Wanumen  
30 Annepwungun Mwuun Chuuk, Ewin Mwiichenap, April 2025, pun ewe Utten Representatives  
31 iei a pwáranó turutiwen netip me pwan wei an kapwongen netipeta me chuupwun ngeni

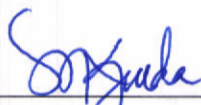
1 family, aramasan me chiechian má we Amafen David Piano Welle, emon mi piin wiiseni ewe  
2 wiis Representative non ewe Annupwungun Mwuun Chuuk, ren weiweitáan an sopwonó;  
3 pwan

4 **EPWE PWAN PWUNG** pwun wesetáan kapiin ei Tungor epwe titinó ngeni  
5 pwunuwan me an familien má we Amafen David P. Welle; ngeni Amafen Arno H. Kony,  
6 Presidenin Senate, Annepwungun Mwuun Chuuk; ngeni Amafen Alexander R. Narruhn,  
7 Kepinaan Chuuk State; pwan ngeni Amafen Jayson Robert, Chief Justice non ewe Chuuk  
8 State Supreme Court.

Sain seni: 

Lester D. Mersai, Speaker  
Utten Representatives  
Engon Me Wanuwen Annepwungun  
Mwuun Chuuk

Annetatá seni:



Merida Ueda, Chief Clerk  
Utten Representatives  
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