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CR No. 10-06

A RESOLUTION

Urging the Governor of the State of Pohnpei to declare a temporary 10 years moratorium in the cutting and harvesting of mangrove timber in the mangrove forest from Soundau Channel to Dekeni Channel and cutting and harvesting of Nyba Frutican (Parem) at Tamworohi and Kepinlahpar in Palikir, Sokehs.

1 WHEREAS, the mangrove forests in Palikir is the largest existing
2 mangrove forest in the Municipality of Sokehs; and

3 WHEREAS, the mangrove forest has an important role in the defense
4 against soil erosion from heavy rainfall, streams and river deposits, hosts many
5 species of marine life providing subsistence food sources to the people; and

6 WHEREAS, recently there is an increase in mangrove timber and nyba
7 frutican cutting for business and commercial usage wherein trees are cut in the
8 masses and bulks now resulting in complete deforestation of mangrove trees in
9 mangrove forests of Palikir; and

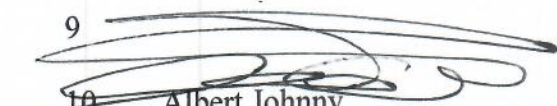
10 WHEREAS, the village Chiefs and the people of Palikir are greatly concern
11 for the ongoing deforestation of the mangrove forest for business and commercial
12 usage; and

13 WHEREAS, the Pohnpei State Government Division of Forestry, have
14 concluded examination of the forest at the request of the Sokehs Municipal
15 Government and the people of Palikir and they have concluded with the
16 recommendation to stop the cutting of mangrove trees and nyba frutican due to
17 large areas of deforestation now evident; and

1 tree species called "Lumnitzera Littorea" will no longer permitted after the
2 moratorium period of 10 years.

3 **BE FURTHER RESOLVED**, that copies of this Resolution be provided to
4 the Speaker of Pohnpei State Legislature, Pohnpei State Director of R&D, the
5 Nanmwariki of Sokehs, Isonahnken of Sokehs and all village Chiefs (Soumas) of
6 Sokehs.

7 ADOPTED BY THE SOKEHS MUNICIPAL COUNCIL ON THIS 14th DAY
8 OF JULY, 2021.

9 
10 Albert Johnny
11 Speaker
12 Sokehs Municipal Council X.

7/14/21
Date

13 ATTESTED BY: 
14 Maridell Ferdinand
15 Chief Clerk

7/14/2021
Date

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