

Pacific Islands Association of Libraries and Archives (PIALA)

RESOLUTION ON THE INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE PACIFIC ISLANDS ASSOCIATION OF LIBRARIES AND ARCHIVES AND THE HAWAII LIBRARY ASSOCIATION

The Pacific Islands Association of Libraries and Archives (PIALA) comprised primarily of members from the different Pacific Islands states and nations (Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, Federated States of Micronesia consisting of the states of Chuuk, Kosrae, Pohnpei and Yap, Republic of Palau, Republic of the Marshall Islands and Territory of Guam) was established to foster, promote and develop information access and resource sharing in the region; and

Whereas, PIALA is a cooperative regional association of libraries, archives and museums, and

Whereas, the PIALA and the Hawaii Library Association (HLA) are both located in the Pacific and share common concerns; and

Whereas, Arlene Cohen, Guam representative to the PIALA Board, and Ruth Horie, Vice-President of HLA proposed to the respective Executive Boards of PIALA and HLA that an international partnership be established to exchange newsletters, discuss common issues, share ideas and expertise, attend each other's conferences and link homepages; and

Whereas, the respective Executive Boards of PIALA and HLA have approved the establishment of an international partnership between the two associations; and

Whereas, Ruth Horie, Vice-President of HLA, has attended the 8th annual PIALA conference in Kosrae, FSM as a gesture of goodwill; and

Therefore, be it resolved that the international partnership between PIALA and HLA be officially recognized; and

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be provided to HLA and that the resolution be read at the 8th annual PIALA conference in Tofol, Kosrae, FSM, and also at the annual conference of HLA on November 22, 1998 at Honolulu, Hawaii, United States of America.

Approved and adopted by the PIALA board members on November 19, 1998, at the 8th Annual Conference held on State of Kosrae, Federated States of Micronesia.

[Signed]

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