

A RESOLUTION

Expressing deepest sorrow, sympathy and condolences to the family, relatives, and friends of the late Honorable Mathias Y. (Matt) Kuor for his untimely passing.

1 WHEREAS, on January 22, 2026, at the age of 71
2 years, the late Honorable Mathias Y. (Matt) Kuor passed
3 away at the Chuuk State Hospital in the State of Chuuk,
4 Federated States of Micronesia; and

5 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Mathias Y. (Matt) Kuor
6 was a distinguished leader not only for the State of Yap,
7 but for the State of Chuuk and the Federated States of
8 Micronesia and his contributions during his career are
9 immeasurable; and

10 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Mathias Y. (Matt) Kuor
11 was born on November 25, 1954 on Houk Island, his father
12 being from Satawal and Houk and his mother from Houk; and

13 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Mathias Y. (Matt) Kuor
14 graduated in 1972 from Outer Island High School in
15 Falalop, Ulithi - Yap State, and he later obtained his
16 Bachelor of Arts degree in 1976 from Willamette
17 University in the State of Oregon, U.S.A; and

18 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Mathias Y. (Matt) Kuor

1 began his public career working with Vincent Figir during
2 the First Yap State Constitutional Convention in 1982,
3 and upon being elected in to the Second and Third
4 Legislatures of Yap State, served as a Vice Chairman on
5 the Committee on Finance (1980-1984) and again as member
6 in the same committee as well as Vice Speaker (1985-
7 1988), and he was elected to the Office of the Lt.
8 Governor of the State of Yap where he served from 1995
9 through 1999 with the Figir Administration; and

10 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Mathias Y. (Matt) Kuor
11 was exceptional in his island community, by fostering
12 the cooperation between the many islands and atolls in
13 his home region, and he further served as one of the
14 client representatives for the people of Satawal,
15 orchestrating and establishing the Satawal Island Trust
16 Investment; and

17 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Mathias Y. (Matt) Kuor
18 briefly served as Director of the FSM Disaster Office,
19 the predecessor of the current Department of Environment,
20 Climate Change and Emergency Management (DECCEM); and

21 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Mathias Y. (Matt) Kuor
22 went on to work diligently as an honored public servant

1 for the people and State of Chuuk through his election
2 into the Chuuk State Legislature later in his life; and

3 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Mathias Y. (Matt) Kuor
4 contributions, dedication, and commitment to the
5 promotion and development of the State of Yap and further
6 on for the State of Chuuk are too numerous to be
7 enumerated herein but they will always be remembered by
8 the leaders and people of the State of Yap, the State of
9 Chuuk and the Federated States of Micronesia; now,
10 therefore,

11 BE IT RESOLVED by the Eleventh Legislature of the
12 State of Yap, Fourth Regular Session, 2026, that on
13 behalf of the State of Yap and its Leadership, this
14 Legislature hereby expresses deepest sorrow, sympathy
15 and condolences to the family, relatives, and friends of
16 the late Honorable Mathias Y. (Matt) Kuor for his
17 untimely passing; and

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
19 Resolution be transmitted to the family of the late
20 Honorable Mathias Y. (Matt) Kuor; the President of the
21 Senate in the Chuuk State Legislature; the Speaker of the
22 House in the Chuuk State Legislature; the Governor of the

1 State of Chuuk; the Chairman of the Chuuk Congressional
2 Delegation; the Chairman of the Yap Congressional
3 Delegation; the Governor of the State of Yap; the
4 Chairman of the Council of Pilung and the Chairman of the
5 Council of Tamol.

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7 **Adopted on: February 05, 2026**

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Nicholas Figirlaarwon
Speaker



Date



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Chief Clerk