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3RD AMENDMENT TO CONSTITUTIONAL EMERGENCY ORDER NO. 20-01

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the Governor issued Constitutional Emergency Order No. 20-01 which declared a state of emergency for the State of Pohnpei in response to the imminent threat of COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, due to the state of emergency, several measures were imposed by Pohnpei State to further safeguard and protect the people of Pohnpei including health screening and quarantine; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization (WHO) on March 11 declared Covid-19 a pandemic, pointing to over 118,000 cases of the corona virus illness in over 110 countries and territories around the world and the sustained risk of further global spread; and

WHEREAS, following the WHO declaration, subsequent amendments to the emergency declaration were issued on March 18, 2020 and March 21, 2020 respectively; and

WHEREAS, such amendments provided for additional precautionary measures by Pohnpei State which included disallowing the disembarkation of any passenger on any aircraft or vessel into the state of Pohnpei with certain exceptions due to the high risk of importation of Covid-19; and

WHEREAS, due to recent developments and unforeseen circumstances based on the implementation of Pohnpei State's emergency declaration and subsequent amendments, a further amendment becomes necessary;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Reed B. Oliver, Governor of the State of Pohnpei, pursuant to the authority vested upon me under Article 13, Section 9 of the Pohnpei Constitution and pursuant to 8 PC 1-102(e), do hereby amend the Constitutional Emergency Order 20-01 by amending Subsection (5) to read as follows:

- "5) (a) No passenger is allowed to disembark in the State of Pohnpei, except crew of commercial airlines, humanitarian support aircraft and vessels, including search and rescue assets, and all cargo vessels and tankers, who may disembark only in the performance of required operational duties within the immediate airport or seaport facilities; PROVIDED that they do not come in contact with anyone including airport or seaport personnel per World Health Organization guidelines on COVID-19; and

b) PROVIDED FURTHER, that in the event of an emergency or unforeseen circumstances caused by accidents, *force majeure*, disease, illness, or other extenuating factors that may result in substantial risk, injury or loss of life to any person, the Department of Health and Social Services in coordination with relevant state agencies and the Pohnpei Task Force shall, on a case by case basis, undertake all required medical protocols and health measures relative to Covid-19 including risk assessment, quarantine or isolation requirements or a combination thereof deemed necessary, prior to allowing any person entry into the state of Pohnpei."

This amendment shall take effect on April 11, 2020.

SO ORDERED



Reed B. Oliver
Governor
State of Pohnpei

Date: 4/16/2020