

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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## EXECUTIVE DECLARATION NO. 22-0

So Declared the Winner of the Nett District Legislature Special Election to fill the Seat Vacated by the Untimely Passing of the Late Honorable Senator Salter Loyola in the  $10^{\mathrm{TH}}$  Pohnpei State Legislature.

**Whereas**, October 12, 2021 the Speaker Honorable Stevick Edwin of the 10<sup>TH</sup> Pohnpei State Legislature sent to Governor Resolution No.101-21 which declared that there is a vacant seat in the Nett District delegation in the 10<sup>TH</sup> Pohnpei State Legislature; and

**Whereas**, the vacancy was the result of the untimely passing of the Late Honorable Senator Salter Loyola on August 16, 2021, year of the Lord; and

Whereas, this vacancy is more than one year before the next 2023 General Election; and

**Whereas**, Title 10, Section 6-104 of the Pohnpei State Code authorized Governor to call a special election to fill the vacancy for the unexpired term and to take place between 60 to 120 days after Governor's declared that a special election will take place to fill the vacant seat in the legislature; and

**Whereas**, Legislature Resolution No. 101-21 has informed the Governor and the Chief Executive Officers of the Nett District that there is a special election; and

**Whereas**, the Governor's declaration had set this special election to take place on December 28, 2021; and

**Whereas**, Pohnpei State Election Office began administering this special election and has appointed members of the Election Board and the Central and Local Counting Committees who have carried out their assigned duties according to election laws, rules and regulations and procedures; and

**Whereas**, there is no one filed election irregularities complaints against the administration of the polls and the canvassing of the votes cast; and

**Whereas**, because I have received the Election Commissioner's Certification of the special election results December 29, 2021; and

**NOW THEREFORE**, Pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Title 10, Section 6-135 of the Pohnpei State Code, and as the Governor of Pohnpei State, I now declare Candidate Mikail (Mike) Loyola who received the plurality of the votes cast, the winner of the Nett District Special Election.

SO DECLARED ON THE 7th DAY OF JANUARY, 2022

Reed B Oliver

Governor

Polanpei State Government