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June 07, 2018

The Honorable Tulensa W. Palik
Speaker
Eleventh Kosrae State Legislature
Tofol, Kosrae FM 96944

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Kulo nu sin God ke moul lasr. Paing kom a Honorable Members ke Sroasr Masap kewa.

Nga ke akkalemye la nga insese a sain **L.B. No. 11-261**, nu ke Masap, Su orala **Kosrae State Law No. 11-156**

" TO AMEND TITLE 19 AT CHAPTER 8, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 19.826 OF THE KOSRAE STATE CODE, TO ESTABLISH THE MAHKONTOWE CONSERVATION AREA UNDER THE PROTECTED AREAS ACT OF 2010; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Certified copy ke masap se inge pa attached nuke letter luk.

Kulo ma lulap.

Lyndon H. Jackson
Governor, State of Kosrae

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June 4, 2018

The Honorable Lyndon H. Jackson
Governor
State of Kosrae
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Dear Governor Jackson,

I have the honor to transmit herewith for your consideration and action on **L.B. No. 11-261, TO AMEND TITLE 19 AT CHAPTER 8, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 19.826 OF THE KOSRAE STATE CODE, TO ESTABLISH THE MAHKOHTOWE CONSERVATION AREA UNDER THE PROTECTED AREAS ACT OF 2010; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES;** which passed the Legislature, Eighteenth Special Session, by two-thirds of the members of the Legislature, a quorum is present.

Respectfully yours,

Andy J. Andrew
Chief Clerk
Kosrae State Legislature

Enclosures:

ELEVENTH KOSRAE STATE LEGISLATURE
EIGHTEENTH SPECIAL SESSION
MAY 09, 2018

A BILL FOR AN ACT

TO AMEND TITLE 19 AT CHAPTER 8, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 19.826 OF THE KOSRAE STATE CODE, TO ESTABLISH THE MAHKOHTOWE CONSERVATION AREA UNDER THE PROTECTED AREAS ACT OF 2010; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY: Floor Leader

Jarinson M. Charley by request

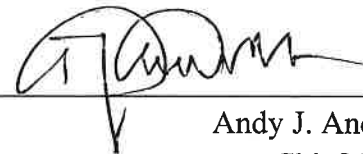
DATE: May 24, 2018

ACTION BY THE LEGISLATURE

PASSED FIRST READING: June 01, 2018

REFERRED TO:

PASSED SECOND READING: June 04, 2018



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LEGISLATIVE BILL No. 11-261

We hereby certify that the foregoing Bill has passed Second and Final Readings in the Legislature, Eighteenth Special Session, 2018, by two-thirds of the members of the Legislature, a quorum is present.

Tulensa W. Palik
Speaker
Eleventh Kosrae State Legislature

Andy J. Andrew
Chief Clerk
Kosrae State Legislature

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To amend Title 19 at Chapter 8, by adding a new Section 19.826 of the Kosrae State Code, to establish the Mahkontowe Conservation Area under the Protected Areas Act of 2010; and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE KOSRAE STATE LEGISLATURE

1 Section 1. Purpose. The Mahkontowe Conservation Area is to demonstrate the
2 ancient historical, cultural, social and agricultural and natural environmental significance
3 of the Mahkohntowe, the Kosrae’s Sleeping Lady, for three purposes: (1) to create the
4 Mahkontowe Conservation Area under the Protected Areas Act of 2010, supported by
5 Title 19 of the Kosrae State Code for the purpose of preserving Kosrae natural
6 environment and culture, (2) to boost the economy of the State in an historic manner
7 with an eco-tourism site and variety of activities; and (3) to create job and facilities
8 opportunities for self-employment.

9 Section 2. Amendment. Title 19 of the Kosrae State Code is hereby amended
10 by adding a new Section 19.826 to read s follows:

11 “Section 19.826. Establishment of the Mahkontowe Conservation Area.

12 (1) It is hereby, established the terrestrial protected area known as the
13 Mahkohntowe Conservation Area which shall be subject to the provision
14 of the Protected Areas Act of 2010 and be administered by the Kosrae
15 Island Resource Management Authority (KIRMA).

16 (2) The Goals of the Mahkontowe Conservation Areas are to (1) preserve
 Kosrae’s natural and cultural resources and culture by protecting and
 prohibiting any human activities particularly economic development,


- 1 harvesting of natural resources and collection, displacement, and
2 destruction of cultural sites and artifacts within the core and buffer zones,
3 (2) to boost the economy of the State with eco-tourism activities
4 supporting creation of jobs and other opportunities.
- 5 (3) The Mahkontowe Conservation Area is located within the interior
6 terrestrial areas of Kosrae, with a total area of 15 square kilometers
7 consisting of Zones namely; the Core, Buffer, and Transition.
- 8 (4) The Mahkontowe Conservation Area shall comprise of the Core and
9 Buffer Zones as prescribed for protection and prohibiting of human
10 activities relating to any economic development, harvesting, and
11 exploitation of biodiversity and natural resources, collection, displacement
12 and destruction of cultural sites and artifacts.
- 13 (5) The Mahkontowe Conservation Area Core Zone:
- 14 (i) The Core Zone has an area of 1,371.73 hectares (13.7 sq km) and
15 is centrally located among the other zones. The Core Zone shall be
16 a no take and development zone, meaning all economic
17 development and natural resources and biodiversity extractive
18 activities are prohibited. The Core Zone is larger than the rest of
19 the zones, which should not subtract from the level of protection
20 and enforcement it shall receive. The Core Area is subject to
21 current Kosrae State law regarding protected and endangered
22 species.

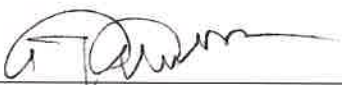
1 conservation, management, and visitation to the Mahkontowe
2 Conservation Area. Commencement of new construction of
3 Mahkontowe Area requires contractors to have a Kosrae
4 Development Permit and to abide by the Kosrae State
5 Environmental Impact Assessments guidelines and the Kosrae
6 State Land Use Plan.

7 (ii) The boundaries of the Transition Zone shall be established by
8 regulation by KIRMA.

9 Section 3. Effective Date. This act takes effect upon the approval of the
10 Governor or upon its becoming law without such approval.

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12 PASSED BY THE ELEVENTH KOSRAE STATE LEGISLATURE ON THE 4th DAY
13 OF JUNE, 2018.

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16 Tulensa W. Palik
17 Speaker, Eleventh Kosrae State Legislature

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19 Attested by: 
20 Chief Clerk

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ELEVENTH KOSRAE STATE LEGISLATURE

EIGHTEENTH SPECIAL SESSION, MAY 2018

L.B. No. 11-261

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Lyndon H. Jackson
Governor, State of Kosrae

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Date: 6/4/18