

**TWENTIETH COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN
MARIANA ISLANDS YOUTH CONGRESS**

1st SPECIAL Session, 2026 Y.C. Res. No. 20-06

A YOUTH CONGRESS RESOLUTION

To recognize and honor Dr. Aliah Kei Hocog Manglona, DO, a native daughter of Rota, for her outstanding educational achievements, dedication to the field of medicine, commitment to advancing healthcare, and for serving as an inspiration to the youth and people of the Commonwealth as Rota's first female medical doctor.

1 **WHEREAS**, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Youth
2 Congress recognizes and honors individuals whose dedication, accomplishments,
3 and service enrich the Commonwealth and inspire its youth to pursue lives of
4 excellence, leadership, and public service; and

5 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Aliah Kei Hocog Manglona, DO, a proud native daughter
6 of the island of Rota, and daughter of Mr. Kenneth J. Manglona & Ms. Lynette H.
7 Manglona, whose unwavering commitment to education, perseverance, and
8 compassionate service that exemplifies the highest ideals of the Commonwealth of
9 the Northern Mariana Islands; and

10 **WHEREAS**, through years of determination, discipline, and academic
11 excellence, Dr. Aliah Kei Hocog Manglona, DO, pursued higher education beyond

1 the Commonwealth's shores, demonstrating that Northern Mariana Islanders can
2 achieve distinction on both the national and international stage; and

3 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Aliah Kei Hocog Manglona, DO, completed her
4 undergraduate education at the University of Colorado in Colorado Springs,
5 establishing a strong academic foundation for her pursuit of a career dedicated to
6 improving the lives and health of others; and

7 **WHEREAS**, in 2025, she earned the degree of Doctor of Osteopathic
8 Medicine (D.O.) from the Kentucky College of Osteopathic Medicine at the
9 University of Pikeville, marking the culmination of years of rigorous study,
10 perseverance, and professional preparation; and

11 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Aliah Kei Hocog Manglona, DO, currently works as a
12 physician specializing in Family Medicine at Central Michigan University in
13 Saginaw, Michigan, reflecting her commitment to providing comprehensive,
14 patient-centered healthcare and promoting the overall well-being of individuals and
15 families; and

16 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Aliah Kei Hocog Manglona, DO's chosen field is
17 important, as osteopathic medicine encompasses all fields of medicine, including
18 primary care, pediatrics, OBGYN, emergency medicine, psychiatry and surgery;
19 and

20 **WHEREAS**, Dr. Aliah Kei Hocog Manglona, DO has participated in
21 medical mission trips to Ghana and Nicaragua, reinforcing her commitment to
22 compassionate, culturally responsive care; and

1 **WHEREAS,** Dr. Manglona's educational and professional
2 accomplishments represent a significant achievement not only for herself but also
3 for the people of Rota, as the first woman from the island to become a doctor, and
4 for the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, bringing pride and
5 distinction to her home island and serving as a testament to the potential of Northern
6 Mariana Islanders to excel in the medical profession; and

7 **WHEREAS,** her pursuit of medicine demonstrates the values of
8 perseverance, humility, integrity, service, and compassion, qualities that embody
9 the spirit of leadership and inspire future generations of students throughout the
10 Commonwealth to pursue careers in healthcare and other professions dedicated to
11 serving humanity, and to ultimately return home to serve their communities; and

12 **WHEREAS,** increasing the number of healthcare professionals from the
13 Commonwealth strengthens the future of healthcare throughout the Northern
14 Mariana Islands by fostering culturally informed care, encouraging local talent, and
15 inspiring young people to pursue careers in medicine and public health; and

16 **WHEREAS,** this body believes that recognizing outstanding citizens such
17 as Dr. Manglona encourages excellence among the youth of the Commonwealth
18 and reinforces the importance of education, public service, and commitment to
19 one's community; and

20 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Twentieth
21 Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Youth Congress, that the Youth
22 Congress extends its congratulations to Dr. Aliah Kei Hocog Manglona, DO for her

1 exceptional educational achievements, professional accomplishments, and
2 dedication to the field of healthcare; and

3 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Sponsor of this Resolution or the
4 designee of the Speaker of the Youth Congress shall present a certified original
5 copy of this Youth Congress Resolution to Dr. Aliah Kei Hocog Manglona, DO;
6 and

7 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Speaker of the Youth Congress
8 shall certify and the Youth Congress Legislative Secretary shall attest to the
9 adoption of this resolution and thereafter shall transmit a certified copy to the
10 Honorable Edmund S. Villagomez, Speaker of the House of Representatives (24th
11 Northern Marianas Commonwealth Legislature); the Honorable Karl R. King-
12 Nabors, President of the Senate (24th Northern Marianas Commonwealth
13 Legislature); the Honorable David M. Apatang, Governor of the Commonwealth of
14 the Northern Mariana Islands; the Honorable Kimberlyn King-Hinds, CNMI
15 Delegate to the House of Representatives (119th United States Congress); and the
16 Honorable Aubry M. Hocog, Mayor of Rota.

Date: 08/05/2026

Introduced by: 
Senator Edward U. Maratita III