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Oral Testimony in support of Resolution 51-34 (LS) Chamoru translated in English:

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Buenas.

(The Chamoru language was translated in English by Ned Pablo.)

Hello. I am Ned Pablo. This is what I going to say, I do support the resolution, to challenge. And don't stop challenging the U.S. District Court. And whoever else is going to challenge us, or to make them more [at an] advantage to us.

We are the People of the Land.

We are the ones that own the lands of the Chamorro. And we are not by ourselves. There are others that want to help. The Chamorros from the Northern Marianas they're interested. What more, every day, every minute, the Chamorros from the States, the Marianas, and Guam, they keep saying they support what I'm doing and what we're doing.

And what you're doing, you're fighting for your rights and our inheritance. Our inherited right.

Here's Louis Manglona, he's saying to me (Mr. N. Pablo reads from his smartphone):

Respect with respect and salute, get together and let your flag rise and wave. And we support you one hundred (100) times over for the rights of the Chamoru. Hold hands together and be careful that it breaks. Make you guys strong. Be strong. All of you guys be strong. Because we love you and it's a job that will determine what's going to happen. Louis Manglona.

All the Chamorros from Rota, Tinian, and Saipan, want to get together and challenge the federal, the U.S. District Court. Whatever they are going to do, whatever they are going to do to us, to take away our land, our inheritance, our inherit right.

All of you leaders, senators, Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Congresswoman, gotta hold hands together and be strong. And you know, I almost gave up, you know, my strength. Because I almost didn't have enough sleep because the federal kept bothering me. It kept following me everywhere around the world or wherever I am at. Wow! These types of people would do this is that democracy?

I doubt that. I don't believe that many more. Because of what I did, because I told the truth and I put them in their place. I put them in their place where the dirt is dirty. You'll open up the dirt and put their lies and their deceit down in the ground and bury their deceit and their lies.

They think they are gonna [going] governance us and they're going to tell us how to do things and what to do? And don't, you guys that are up there in office, you guys better listen to the people. What more, the Chamorro people, because we are the People of the Land.

And this is what all I'm going to say. If you need help from the people, the Chamorros that are not Chamorros, there's plenty that believe on [in] what I did. And I will call them and let them know when and where. When you guys need their help and I will make sure that the people will come, when in need in time of help and support. It doesn't matter if you're gonna [going to] protect and defend the culture, the language, and the rights.

And this is what I'm going to say. The people are starting to be hurt and they're feeling hurt and they are telling me everything.

And this is all I'm going to say, Tydingco-Gatewood, once they turned in the resolution to challenge to appeal. I'm telling you; we're not going to wait long, because we are going to come back. Across the street, near the beach, on the other side of the court, and we're going to let you know that we're not playing around anymore. You need to listen to us, the Chamorros, the People of the Land. We're not going to listen to you guys anymore. You need to listen to us.

Make a lie; make a law that will at least tell us, the People of the Land. You know what, we don't need to listen to their ruling that they made a decision on. You senators just do whatever to the highest of your ability or power to stop this. And I will be the force that will be your backing with the people if you need the people, because they woke up. And we'll just let it go and see what happens. You know, we'll see what happens.

If they act like it's nothing, even if, you know, we don't know, or they don't let us know, we will know that they're making it like we're nothing. So we'll make it like they're nothing too because we'll come back. And this time there will be more people.

Believe. Believe. Because I'll speak talking to the people on Facebook, and the people who just keep talking amongst each other and we'll be informing each other of what will be or have.

And that's it.