



FEDERATION OF LOFA ASSOCIATIONS IN THE AMERICAS

June 25, 2008

Resolution of the General Assembly of the Federation of Lofa Associations in the Americas (FLAA), Converging in Brooklyn Park, Minnesota on the Occasion of the 18th Annual Convention from 23rd - 25th May 2008

Local Chapters

Chicago
DC - Maryland
Georgia
Michigan
Minnesota
New England
New Jersey
New York
Ohio
Pennsylvania

RECOGNIZING that the ongoing reconstruction of Liberia in general and Lofa County in particular are necessary undertakings;

GRATIFYING that the following members of the Lofa Legislative Caucus : **Senior Senator, Hon. Sumo Kupee, Hon. Moses Kollie, Hon. Vafoley Kamara, Hon. Marion Jallabah and Hon. Eugene Kparkar** participated in the Convention and updated participants on the progress as well as the challenges facing Lofans in their concerted efforts to foster reconstruction and development of the county;

REALIZING the formidable challenges facing the county and acknowledging the progress achieved so far as a result of the pliability of the people;

TAKING keen note of the Central Government of Liberia development objectives of the country;

CONSIDERING the relevance of FLAA to the socio-economic development of the county;

APPRECIATING the praiseworthy contribution of **Hon. Edwin F. Sele, Deputy Chief of Mission of the Embassy of the Republic of Liberia in Washington, DC** in proposing the establishment of the Lofa Development Fund which idea was overwhelmingly received and subsequently approved by the Assembly as a crucial manifesto achievement of the 18th Convention;

WELCOMES the establishment of the Lofa Development Fund and encourages every adult Lofa citizen residing in the Diaspora to make a minimum financial contribution in the amount of one hundred (\$100.00) dollars to said Fund by the next convention which is scheduled to be held in New York, May 2009.

ENCOURAGES all Chapters to adopt as a matter of policy the collection of the \$100.00 contribution from every Lofa citizen residing in the Diaspora.

ESTABLISHES as an achievable goal the collection of \$1, 000,000.00 into the newly established Fund by the 19th Annual Convention which will represent the payments from 10, 000 citizens of Lofans residing in the Diaspora.

1. **REAFFIRMS** that Lofa citizens both at home and abroad shall remain steadfastly united and committed to contributing financially, morally and spiritually to the socio-economic development and well-being of the county and people.
2. **RESOLVES** that FLAA shall continue to collaborate, cooperate and liaise with the local authorities, including the Legislative Caucus, Superintendent, Councils of Chiefs and Elders on all issues of development and welfare of the county and people.
3. **RESOLVES** further that FLAA will endeavor to establish the appropriate structures or functionaries to oversee its interest in the country, and in particular

4. **WELCOMES** the establishment of the Lofa Development Fund and encourages every adult Lofa citizen residing in the Diaspora to make a minimum financial contribution in the amount of one hundred (\$100.00) dollars to said Fund by the next convention which is scheduled to be held in New York, May 2009.
5. **UNDERTAKES** to ensure fiscal prudence, accountability and transparency regarding the establishment and operations of the aforementioned Fund.
6. **ENCOURAGES** all Chapters to adopt as a matter of policy the collection of the \$100.00 contribution from every Lofa citizen residing in the Diaspora.
7. **ESTABLISHES** as an achievable goal the collection of \$1, 000,000.00 into the newly established Fund by the 19th Annual Convention which will represent the payments from 10, 000 citizens of Lofans residing in the Diaspora.
8. **PROPOSES** the current fiscal year as the Year of Fundraising for the Federation
9. **ENSURES** the upholding, supporting and adhering to the provisions of the newly adopted Constitution for the wholesome functioning of the Federation.
10. **ENSURES** further that Members will support and uphold the established goals of the Federation unflinching, and move expeditiously to attract new members as well as to establish new Chapters throughout the continental United States of America
11. **APPRECIATING** further the adoption of the new FL AA Constitution as a positive and historic achievement of the aforementioned Convention;

Participating FLAA Chapters:

New York	-----	Mr. Richard Zaizay
New Jersey	-----	Ms. Betty Fazeh
Maryland	-----	Mr. Alexander Bazzie
Michigan	-----	Mr. David Tellowoyan
Minnesota	-----	Mr. Arthur Zakama
New England	-----	Mr. Festus Konneh
Ohio	-----	Mr. David K. Franklin
Pennsylvania	-----	Ms. Oretha Cooper
Indiana Lofa Community		

Outgoing Executive Council:

Mr. Anthony Selli-National General Secretary
 Ms. Gertrude Martin- National Treasurer
 Ms. Gertrude Khealey- National Chaplain

Newly Elected & Re-elected Executive Council:

Mr. Jusu Hena, National President-***Re-elected***
 Ms. Garmai Tokpah, Vice National Chairlady-***Re-elected***
 Mr. David Kudel, National General Secretary
 Mr. Kukolo Kaazaku-National Treasurer
 Mr. Jerry Yogbor-National Financial Secretary
 Ms. Kormassah Flomo- National Chaplain,

Reconstituted FLAA Board of Directors

Two (2) representative Board members from each FLAA Chapter:

- The Chairman of the Chapter Board of Directors
- One (1) Chapter Board representative


**Done this 25th Day of May, 2008 in the City of Brooklyn Park, Minnesota.
USA.**

Resolution Committee:

**Mr. J. Galakpai Howard - Chairman
Dr. Sakui Malakpa - Co-Chairman**

Approved by:

Jusu Hena:



**National President - (FLAA)
Federation of Lofa Associations in the Americas**

Attested to by: John K. Jallah
The Reverend John K. Jallah
ACTING CHAIRMAN
National Board of Directors, FLAA