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PREL Names Acting Chief Executive Officer

Honolulu, HI – March 1, 2017: Pacific Resource for Education and Learning (PREL) today announced the appointment of Paul Hadik to the post of Chief Executive Officer. Hadik, a former member of the Executive Committee of the PREL Board of Directors will assume his new role in March 2017, succeeding Nicole M. Forrester.

Hadik will direct PREL’s operational functions and programmatic work to enhance community well-being through partnerships in education. Since 1991, PREL has provided research, technical assistance, training, and evaluation services aimed at transforming teaching and learning in the Pacific region. Major projects include locally and federally funded work to support education practitioners, policymakers, and community stakeholders in American Sāmoa, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands; the Federated States of Micronesia–Chuuk, Kosrae, Pohnpei, and Yap; Guam; Hawai‘i; the Republic of the Marshall Islands; and the Republic of Palau.

Since 2014, Hadik has served as a Consultant with Graduate School USA, strengthening Chuuk Department of Education’s reform processes. He previously served as the Principal at Chuuk High School, Director of the Kosrae Department of Education, and Principal of Kosrae High School. For the past 20 years, he has led or advised numerous quality-setting, and school improvement initiatives.

“I am honored and excited to help deepen PREL’s impact and reach by continuing to grow the organization in ways that are responsive to community needs and that will broaden the reach of PREL’s high-quality research, technical assistance, services and products,” says Hadik.

In his role as CEO, Hadik will work closely with state educational agency leadership and community stakeholders to ensure that PREL’s approach to supporting education in the Pacific is responsive to community needs and priorities. Under his leadership, PREL will continue to advance collaborative efforts to strengthen formal and informal teaching and learning.

“PREL is in good hands. While we will all certainly miss Nicole, we are thrilled that Paul is joining PREL as CEO,” said Board President, Vic Angoco. “He is a respected leader and an experienced educator. He will help us grow our work and broaden our impact, assuring that we can continue to enhance the well-being of Pacific children and their communities.”

About PREL

Founded in 1991, PREL is a non-partisan, not-for-profit 501(c)(3) education research, development, and service organization. Throughout the Pacific, a region of diverse languages and cultures, PREL collaborates with local communities and agencies using the proven results of research to transform education and promote dynamic reciprocal learning communities built on strong social and cultural capital.

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