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The Honorable Wesley W. Simina Speaker FSM Congress Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear Speaker Simina:

I transmit herewith a certified copy of Congressional Resolution No. 20-161, which was adopted by the Twentieth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Sixth Regular Session, 2019.

Sincerely,

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis

Chief Clerk

Congress of the

Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures



TWENTIETH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA SIXTH REGULAR SESSION JANUARY 14 – FEBRUARY 2, 2019

## A RESOLUTION

APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A \$125,000 GRANT FROM THE NATURE CONSERVANCY, FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING THE PROJECT OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA ENTITLED: "TECHNOLOGY OF TUNA TRANSPARENCY (T-3) CHALLENGE", INCLUDING ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE ASSISTANCE.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: FLORENCIO S. HARPER (BY REQUEST)

DATE: JANUARY 15, 2019

ADOPTED: JANUARY 15, 2019

Liwiana Ramon Ioan's Chief Clerk, FSM Congress

## RESOLUTION

Approving and accepting a \$125,000 grant from the Nature Conservancy, for the purpose of funding the project of the Federated States of Micronesia entitled: "Technology of Tuna Transparency (T-3) Challenge", including all the terms and conditions of the assistance.

- 1 WHEREAS, by the letter of the Nature Conservancy (TNC)
- 2 date January 7, 2018, TNC agreed to provide a \$125,000 grant to
- 3 the Federated States of Micronesia as commitment on its part to
- 4 the T-3 initiative that was launched by the Federated States of
- 5 Micronesia during the Our Ocean's Conference in Bali last year;
- 6 and
- 7 WHEREAS, the T-3 initiative is recognizing the need for
- 8 the tuna fishery to be managed sustainable, free from
- 9 transnational crimes, and it is also aimed at addressing marine
- 10 pollution; and
- 11 WHEREAS, a key component of the T-3 initiative is the
- 12 robust fisheries data and monitoring, more specifically,
- 13 electronic monitoring in combination with observer coverage for
- 14 longline fishing vessels; and
- 15 WHEREAS, the Nature Conservancy is supporting the
- 16 Federated States of Micronesia on this project by extending the
- 17 grant described above to support the FSM National Oceanic
- 18 Resource Management Authority (NORMA) in implementing the
- 19 commitment of the T-3 initiative; and

| 1  | WHEREAS, section 210(2) of title 55 of the Code of the         |
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| 2  | Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended,        |
| 3  | requires that for foreign financial assistance to be valid it  |
| 4  | must be approved by resolution; now, therefore,                |
| 5  | BE IT RESOLVED by the Twentieth Congress of the Federated      |
| 6  | States of Micronesia, Sixth Regular Session, 2019, that        |
| 7  | Congress hereby approves and accepts the \$125,000 grant from  |
| 8  | the TNC, including all the terms and conditions thereof; and   |
| 9  | BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this           |
| 10 | resolution be transmitted to the President of Federated States |
| 11 | of Micronesia, the Executive Director of NORMA, the Secretary  |
| 12 | of Finance and Administration, and the Secretary of Justice.   |
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| 16 | ADOPTED: January 15, 2019                                      |
| 17 | Wesley W. Simina<br>, Speaker                                  |
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| 23 | Liwiana Ramon Ioanis<br>Chief Clerk                            |
|    | FSM Congress   |
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