October 03, 2018

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. 20-87, C.D.1, which was adopted by the Twentieth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fifth Regular Session, 2018.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk
Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures
A RESOLUTION

APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE PROTECTED AREAS NETWORK NATIONAL GUIDING POLICY FRAMEWORK FOR THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: JOSEPH J. URUSEMAL FOR FLORENCIO S. HARPER (BY REQUEST)

DATE: MAY 12, 2018

ADOPTED: SEPTEMBER 28, 2018

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress
A RESOLUTION

Approving and adopting the Protected Areas Network National Guiding Policy Framework for the National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia.

1. WHEREAS, the Federated States of Micronesia commits itself as a State-Party to the convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), as well as the CBD Programme of Work on Protected Areas and the Micronesia Challenge (MC) Initiative in which the MC is driven by three main targets:

2. To establish a system of protected area networks in member countries; and

3. To effectively conserve at least 30% of the near-shore marine and 20% of the terrestrial resources across Micronesia by 2020; and

4. To raise $29,000,000 for Federated States of Micronesia's Micronesia Challenge Endowment Fund in order to sustain these efforts in perpetuity; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Protected Areas Network National Guiding Policy Framework (the "PAN Policy Framework") is to establish a transparent, fair and efficient system governing the designation of a nationwide Protected Areas Network in the Federated States of Micronesia;

WHEREAS, this PAN Policy Framework is an implementation of the FSM's commitment under the CBD, the United Nations Framework
1 Convention on Climate Change, and the United Nations Convention to
2 Combat Desertification; and
3 WHEREAS, the PAN Policy Framework is a product of close
4 collaboration and broad consultation among stakeholders and
5 partners nationwide, with active support and assistance from the
6 Micronesia Conservation Trust (MCT) and the Nature Conservancy
7 (TNC), whose assistance in this process is greatly appreciated;
8 and
9 WHEREAS, the adoption of this PAN Policy Framework will
10 establish a holistic approach by which to establish, manage and
11 sustain protected areas network across the Nation; now, therefore,
12 BE IT RESOLVED by the Twentieth Congress of the Federated
13 States of Micronesia, Fifth Regular Session, 2018, that Congress
14 hereby approves and adopts the PAN National Guiding Policy
15 Framework; and
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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, the governor of each state of the Nation, the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, the Secretary of Justice, the Secretary of Resources and Development, the Secretary of Environment, Climate Change and Emergency Management, the Executive Director of the Micronesia Conservation Trust, and the Director of the Nature Conservancy-Micronesia Program.

ADOPTED: September 28, 2018

Wesley W. Simina
Speaker
FSM Congress

ATTEST:

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk
FSM Congress