

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;
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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
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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14 Date: 1/15/19

Introduced by: /s/ Florencio S. Harper
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(by request)

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