

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
2 itself as a State-Party to the convention on Biological
3 Diversity (CBD), as well as the CBD Programme of Work on
4 Protected Areas and the Micronesia Challenge (MC) Initiative
5 in which the MC is driven by three main targets:

6 1. To establish a system of protected area networks
7 in member countries; and

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

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

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

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1 WHEREAS, this PAN Policy Framework is an implementation
2 of the FSM's commitment under the CBD, the United Nations
3 Framework Convention on Climate Change, and the United
4 Nations Convention to Combat Desertification; and

5 WHEREAS, the PAN Policy Framework is a product of close
6 collaboration and broad consultation among state holders and
7 partners nationwide, with active support and assistance from
8 the Micronesia Conservation Trust (MCT) and the Nature
9 Conservancy (TNC), whose assistance in this process is
10 greatly appreciated; and

11 WHEREAS, the adoption of this PAN Policy Framework will
12 establish a holistic approach by which to establish, manage
13 and sustain protected areas network across the Nation; now,
14 therefore,

15 BE IT RESOLVED by the Twentieth Congress of the
16 Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session, 2018,
17 that Congress hereby approves and adopts the PAN National
18 Guiding Policy Framework; and

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