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 is 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 of the FSM's commitment under the CBD, the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, and the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification; and 5 WHEREAS, the PAN Policy Framework is a product of close collaboration and broad consultation among state holders and 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 and sustain protected areas network across the Nation; now, 13 therefore, 14 15 BE IT RESOLVED by the Twentieth Congress of the 16 Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session, 2018, that Congress hereby approves and adopts the PAN National 17 Guiding Policy Framework; and 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

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1	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2	resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated
3	States of Micronesia, the governor of each state of the
4	Nation, the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, the Secretary of
5	Justice, the Secretary of Resources and Development, the
6	Secretary of Environment, Climate Change and Emergency
7	Management, the Executive Director of the Micronesia
8	Conservation Trust, and the Director of the Nature
9	Conservancy-Micronesia Program.
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11	Dated: 5/12/18 Introduced by: /s/ for Joseph J. Urusemal
12	Florencio S. Harper (by request)
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