Resolution No. 28-GA-11

"Requesting the leadership of Micronesia to build air links between United States-influenced Micronesia and Commonwealth-influenced Micronesia."

1. WHEREAS, part of Micronesia, namely the Marianas, Caroline and Marshall Islands are under U.S. influence; and

2. WHEREAS, the other part of Micronesia, namely Kiribati and Nauru are under Commonwealth influence; and

3. WHEREAS, each sphere of influence has its own air links, but there are now no direct air links between the two spheres of influence; and

4. WHEREAS, this colonial legacy creates an artificial divide between members of one people, namely the Micronesian people; and

5. WHEREAS, it will benefit all of the Micronesian people to overcome this legacy and forge transportation and communication links between the two spheres; and

6. WHEREAS, the most prominent missing link is an air link between Tarawa, Republic of Kiribati and Majuro, Republic of the Marshall Islands; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the member jurisdictions of the 28th General Assembly of the Association of the Pacific Island Legislatures, held on Pohnpei, FSM, from June 9-11, 2009, hereby support and endorse any efforts by the leadership of Micronesia to create transportation and communication between the two aforesaid spheres of influence
in Micronesia, particularly an air link between Tarawa and Majuro, and beseech the
leadership of Micronesia to initiate and put their full support behind such efforts; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President of the Association of Pacific
Island Legislatures shall certify and the Secretary of the Association of Pacific Island
Legislatures shall attest to the adoption hereof; and that copies thereupon be transmitted
to the Chief Executives and Legislative Officers of the Republic of Kiribati, the Republic
of the Marshall Islands, and the other member jurisdictions of the APIL, to the Chief
Executive Officer of Continental Micronesia, and to the Chief Executive Officer of Air
Pacific.


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