



Association of Pacific Island Legislatures

American Samoa
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
FSM, State of Chuuk
FSM, State of Kosrae
FSM, State of Pohnpei
FSM, State of Yap
Island of Guam
Republic of Kiribati
Republic of the Marshall Islands
Republic of Nauru
Republic of Palau
State of Hawaii

A RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 27-GA-16

“Expressing the sincere gratitude of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures to the National Association of Conservation Districts and each of the voting states, territories, and commonwealths of that association for their support and vote to include the Territory of Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of Palau, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Territory of American Samoa in the National Association of Conservation Districts.”

1 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to the support of the Association of Pacific Island
2 Legislatures in its Resolution adopted by the Board of Directors at its 48th Meeting in
3 Tofol, FSM State of Kosrae, on November 26-27, 2007, the Territory of Guam, the
4 Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of Palau, the Federated
5 States of Micronesia, and the Territory of American Samoa have been granted full voting
6 membership at the National Association of Conservation Districts; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the impact of this voting representation will be tremendous for the
8 island communities of the members of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures,
9 given the importance within the region and the value of protecting the soil and water
10 resources; and

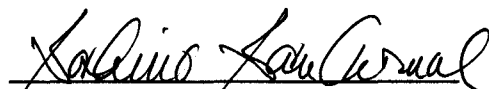
11 **WHEREAS**, the governments of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures
12 are grateful to the delegation from the various island districts who traveled to Nevada and
13 advocated for the inclusion of the Territory of Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern
14 Mariana Islands, the Republic of Palau, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the
15 Territory of American Samoa in the National Association of Conservation Districts; and

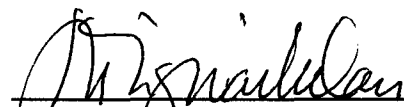
1 **WHEREAS**, the governments of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures
2 are grateful to the representatives in Nevada who voted in support of the inclusion of the
3 Territory of Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of
4 Palau, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Territory of American Samoa in the
5 National Association of Conservation Districts; now, therefore,

6 **BE IT RESOLVED**, by Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, 27th General
7 Assembly, Island of Guam, May 5-7, 2008, that the Association of Pacific Island
8 Legislatures does hereby express its sincere gratitude to the National Association of
9 Conservation Districts and each of the voting states, territories, and commonwealths of
10 that association for their support and vote to include the Territory of Guam, the
11 Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of Palau, the Federated
12 States of Micronesia, and the Territory of American Samoa in the National Association of
13 Conservation Districts; and

14 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the President of the Association of Pacific
15 Island Legislatures certifies, and the Secretary of the Association of Pacific Island
16 Legislatures attests to, the adoption hereof and that copies of the same shall be thereafter
17 transmitted to the President of the National Association of Conservation Districts and to
18 the Presiding Legislative Officers and Chief Executives of each of the APIL member
19 jurisdictions.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 7TH DAY OF MAY, 2008.


SABINO SAUCHOMAL
APIL PRESIDENT


WILLIAM NGIRAI KELAU
APIL SECRETARY

