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Republic of Kiribati
Republic of the Marshall Islands
Republic of Nauru
Republic of Palau
State of Hawaii

A RESOLUTION

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
2 Islands are under U.S. influence; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the other part of Micronesia, namely Kiribati and Nauru are under
4 Commonwealth influence; and

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

7 **WHEREAS**, this colonial legacy creates an artificial divide between members of
8 one people, namely the Micronesian people; and

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

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

13 **BE IT RESOLVED** that the member jurisdictions of the 28th General Assembly
14 of the Association of the Pacific Island Legislatures, held on Pohnpei, FSM, from June 9-
15 11, 2009, hereby support and endorse any efforts by the leadership of Micronesia to
16 create transportation and communication between the two aforesaid spheres of influence

1 in Micronesia, particularly an air link between Tarawa and Majuro, and beseech the
2 leadership of Micronesia to initiate and put their full support behind such efforts; and
3 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the President of the Association of Pacific
4 Island Legislatures shall certify and the Secretary of the Association of Pacific Island
5 Legislatures shall attest to the adoption hereof; and that copies thereupon be transmitted
6 to the Chief Executives and Legislative Officers of the Republic of Kiribati, the Republic
7 of the Marshall Islands, and the other member jurisdictions of the APIL, to the Chief
8 Executive Officer of Continental Micronesia, and to the Chief Executive Officer of Air
9 Pacific.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 11TH DAY OF JUNE, 2009.

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