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Republic of Palau
State of Hawaii

A RESOLUTION

APIL Resolution No. 30-GA-10

“Committing to accelerated and strengthened whole-of-government action to implement the measures contained in the World Health Organization Framework Convention on Tobacco Control.”

1 **WHEREAS**, the Pacific Island Health Officers Association (PIHOA) in its Resolution
2 #48-01 declared a Regional State of Health Emergency among the United States Affiliated
3 Pacific Islands, due to the epidemic of non communicable diseases (NCDs); and

4 **WHEREAS**, the Nadi Statement on the NCD crisis in Pacific Island Countries and Areas
5 also recognized that Pacific Island countries are in crisis due to the rapid build-up of the
6 overwhelming NCD epidemic, and that this crisis threatens fragile health systems in Pacific
7 Island countries and is impacting adversely on our social development and economic aspirations;
8 and

9 **WHEREAS**, tobacco use is a major risk factor for NCDs and the global community has
10 recognized the urgent need for effective tobacco control in the first treaty ever to be negotiated
11 through the World Health Organization (WHO), the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco
12 Control (FCTC); and


13 **WHEREAS**, the FCTC provides an evidence-based framework to protect present and
14 future generations from the devastating health, social, environmental and economic
15 consequences of tobacco consumption and exposure to tobacco smoke and is one of the most
16 rapidly and widely embraced treaties in the history of the United Nations; now, therefore,

17 **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, 30th General
18 Assembly, Republic of Palau, June 15-17, 2011, that the APIL hereby commits to accelerated
19 and strengthened whole-of-government action in APIL member jurisdictions to implement the
20 measures contained in the FCTC; and

1 **BE IT FURTHER REOLVED** that the APIL President shall certify, and the APIL
2 Secretary shall attest to the adoption of this Resolution and that copies of the same shall be
3 transmitted to the President and the Executive Director of the Pacific Health Officers Association
4 and to the Chief Executives and Legislative Presiding Officers of each member jurisdiction of the
5 Association of the Pacific Island Legislatures.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 17TH DAY OF JUNE, 2011


REBLUUD KESOLEI
APIL PRESIDENT


ALIK J. ALIK
APIL SECRETARY

