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to each jurisdiction; and

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

APIL Resolution No. 35-GA-13

"Supporting the Asian Development Bank (ADB) in the Rapid Assessment of Healthcare Financing Mechanisms and the Healthcare Financing Conference held in Manila, Philippines in September 2016."

WHEREAS, ever since the 32nd General Assembly of the Association of Pacific Island 1 Legislatures convened in the State of Hawaii in June of 2013, this organization has been 2 encouraging the member jurisdictions of the APIL to develop and implement national healthcare 3 programs that guarantee universal access to affordable, quality healthcare; and 4 WHEREAS, a healthcare financing study needed for such a system would cost Five 5 Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000), a cost that has not been absorbed to finance the study; 6 7 and WHEREAS, the Asian Development Bank (ADB) has opted to perform a rapid 8 assessment in the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Republic of Palau, and the Federated 9 States of Micronesia; and 10 WHEREAS, the ADB will be conducting a Healthcare Financing Conference to be held 11 in Manila, Philippines in September 2016. Participants from around the globe will attend and 12 representatives from Pacific island countries and Medical City will be invited; and 13 WHEREAS, the results of the rapid assessment will be presented at this event and once 14

rapid assessment of healthcare financing mechanisms is completed, the results will be presented

- WHEREAS, each jurisdiction may then approach the ADB's Pacific Department
- 2 (PARD) for financial assistance in financing healthcare in their jurisdiction, and depending on its
- 3 economic status, countries are eligible for either a loan or a mix of a loan and grant money; now,
- 4 therefore,
- 5 **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, 35th General
- 6 Assembly, *Hagåtña*, Guam, June 1 to June 3, 2016, does hereby, on behalf of the Association of
- 7 Pacific Island Legislatures, support the Asian Development Bank in its Rapid Assessment of
- 8 Healthcare Financing Mechanisms and the Healthcare Financing Conference held in Manila,
- 9 Philippines in September 2016, and will send APIL representation; and
- 10 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the APIL President shall certify and the APIL
- 11 Secretary shall attest to the adoption hereof and that copies of the same shall be transmitted to
- the Chief Executives and Legislative Presiding Officers of each member jurisdiction of the
- 13 Association of Pacific Island Legislatures.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 3RD DAY OF JUNE, 2016.

KENNETH A. KEDI

PRESIDENT

FERNANDO SCALIEM

SECRETARY