



# Association of Pacific Island Legislatures

American Samoa  
Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands  
FSM, State of Chuuk  
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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. 38-GA-02

**“Calling upon the APIL Member Jurisdictions to engage in regional cooperation to combat climate change through the continued development of, and commitment to, renewable energy.”**

1       **WHEREAS**, the theme this year of the APIL General Assembly is *Renewable Energy:*  
2       *Alternative energy solutions for Micronesia and the Central Pacific*; and

3       **WHEREAS**, climate change presents formidable and universal challenges to all the  
4       peoples of the Pacific region, including: coral bleaching, rising sea levels, coastal flooding, and  
5       shoreline erosion; and

6       **WHEREAS**, the history, culture, and communities of all the peoples of the APIL Pacific  
7       are deeply rooted in respect for, and preservation of, the environment; and

8       **WHEREAS**, history has proven the power and effect of collaboration and mutual  
9       assistance in addressing the challenges posed by climate change; and

10       **WHEREAS**, energy consumption and renewable energy critical areas of development,  
11       with renewable energy sources providing reliable, resilient, safe, and clean sources of power, the  
12       use of which also slows down the adverse impacts of climate change; and

13       **WHEREAS**, recalling past APIL resolutions on climate change, it is the continuing sense  
14       of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures that we should consolidate our efforts and  
15       aspirations as expressed in both present and past climate-change resolutions, and that we should  
16       take bold, positive actions to implement the ideals and objectives of these resolutions, both in our

1 own separate Member Jurisdictions and, through regional cooperation and collaboration, for all  
2 of the islands and waters of the APIL Pacific; and

3 **WHEREAS,** it is the further sense of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures that  
4 furthering the joint commitment of the APIL Members to the development of renewable energy  
5 through the collaborative identification, design and implementation of specific island and  
6 regional plans and projects, is a necessary and critical step in advancing our shared commitment  
7 to combat climate change; now, therefore,

8 **BE IT RESOLVED,** by the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, 38<sup>th</sup> General  
9 Assembly, Republic of the Marshall Islands, July 23-26, 2019, that the Association of Pacific  
10 Island Legislatures hereby calls upon the APIL Member Jurisdictions to engage in regional  
11 cooperation to combat climate change through the continued development of and commitment to  
12 renewable energy; and

13 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that each Member Jurisdiction is respectfully requested  
14 to include in its country report at the next APIL Board of Directors meeting, an analysis of the  
15 progress of that Member in its respective renewable energy program, which report should  
16 include that Member's endeavors to provide for the sharing with all Members of the APIL, that  
17 Member's challenges and accomplishments in freeing its power production systems from  
18 dependence on fossil fuels; and

1           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the APIL President shall certify and the APIL  
2   Secretary shall attest to the adoption hereof and that copies of the same shall be transmitted to  
3   the Chief Executive and Presiding Legislative Officers of each Member Jurisdiction of the  
4   Association of Pacific Island Legislatures.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 26<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2019.**



**NELSON STEPHEN**  
**ACTING PRESIDENT**



**IVAN A. BLANCO**  
**SECRETARY**

