



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. 39-GA-07

“Commending the Biden Harris Administration for the Pacific Islands Strategy and urging the United States to further its efforts in maintaining a free and safe Indo Pacific.”

1 **WHEREAS**, on September 28-29, 2022, the Biden Harris
2 Administration hosted the first ever US-Pacific Islands Summit with leaders
3 from the Blue Continent; and

4 **WHEREAS**, during the US-Pacific Islands Summit, the United States
5 presented its Pacific Islands Strategy, inclusive of a \$810M commitment to
6 the Pacific Region; and

7 **WHEREAS**, over the last decade, there have been inroads by
8 undemocratic entities that threaten democracy in the Pacific, and the Pacific
9 way of life; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the Pacific Islands, since World War II, have
11 demonstrated its allegiance to democratic governance, and more importantly
12 the United States of America; and

13 **WHEREAS**, the Peoples Republic of China and their neglect for issues
14 of mutual interest such as climate change, data exchange and island resiliency,
15 the US-Pacific Islands Summit and the Pacific Islands Strategy could not have
16 come at a more critical time; and

17 **WHEREAS**, the United States Pacific Islands Strategy is a good start
18 towards re-energizing US-Pacific Relations, but more can be done to

1 strengthen the partnership between the United States and Pacific Island
2 nations and jurisdictions; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures stands
4 ready to engage with the Biden Administration and the United States Congress
5 to further U.S. and Pacific relations with its member nations; now, therefore,

6 **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures,
7 39th General Assembly, State of Pohnpei, October 12-14, 2022, that the
8 General Assembly, on behalf of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures,
9 hereby unequivocally supports the Biden Harris US-Pacific Island Strategy
10 and urges the United States to further its efforts in maintaining a free and safe
11 Indo Pacific; and

12 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the APIL President shall certify
13 and the APIL Secretary shall attest to the adoption hereof, and that copies of
14 the same shall thereafter be transmitted to His Excellency President Joseph R.
15 Biden of the United States of America, to the Honorable Speaker Nancy
16 Pelosi, the Honorable Representative Raul Grijalva and the Honorable
17 Representative Ed Case of the United States Congress, and to the Chief
18 Executives and the Legislative Presiding Officers of each member jurisdiction
19 of the Association of the Pacific Island Legislatures.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 14TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2022.



SHELLEN G. NETH
PRESIDENT



VINNIE V. F. SABLON
SECRETARY

