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A RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 48-BOD-07, CD1

"Expressing gratitude and thanks to the United Nations Development Programme, Pacific Centre for Providing Technical Assistance to Our Member States."

WHEREAS, The UNDP Pacific Centre hosted the Pacific Parliamentary Assistance Roundtable in Nadi, Fiji, from 4-5 September 2007 to provide a forum for participants to share their experiences of providing and/or participating in Pacific parliamentary assistance activities, as well as to discuss the opportunities and challenges posed by the central role parliaments can and should play in promoting and overseeing the implementation of effective sustainable development and poverty reduction initiatives; and

WHEREAS, In support of the Roundtable, a Directory of Organizations Assisting Pacific Parliaments was produced which provides contact details and a summary of activities for a range of organizations working with Pacific Parliaments; and

WHEREAS, support to legislatures in the Pacific will be meaningful if it translates into legislative activities which contribute to better development and capacity of the legislative branches of government; and

WHEREAS, the Vice President of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures (APIL) attended the Pacific Parliamentary Assistance Roundtable in Fiji on behalf of the organization; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, 48th Board Meeting, November 27-28, 2007, State of Kosrae, that the Board of Directors on behalf of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures hereby expresses its gratitude to the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Pacific Centre for inviting APIL to its Roundtable Discussions in Fiji, and for providing much appreciated technical assistance to our membership; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that APIL invites UNDP, Pacific Centre to work closely with our membership to achieve our mutual goals of strengthening the legislative braches of government in the region; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the APIL President shall certify, and the APIL Secretary shall attest to the adoption hereof and that copies of the same shall be thereafter transmitted to the UNDP Pacific Centre and its officers and staff; to the UNDP headquarters and to the Presiding Legislative Officers of each member of the

Association of Pacific Island Legislatures. 23

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 28TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2007.

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PRESIDENT