



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

Resolution No. 51-BOD-10, CD1

Encouraging the member entities of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures to initiate efforts in formulating a master plan for a Comprehensive Digital Superhighway for the Micronesian and Pacific Region and to request Digital Society Foundation to seek assistance from the United Nations Development Program, the Pacific Islands Forum, and other regional entities in such efforts.

1 **WHEREAS**, the entities, islands, and countries in the Pacific region do not all have equal
2 access to reliable and consistent communications and information network; and

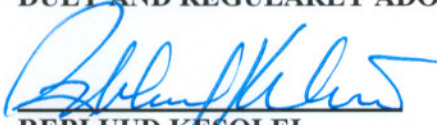
3 **WHEREAS**, in this digital age of technology and information sharing, dependable access to
4 the “information digital superhighway” is important to the economic, social, and educational
5 development in all societies in the Pacific; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the differing various methods of telecommunications and information
7 sourcing varies in methods and is inconsistent from state to state and island to island and it is to the
8 benefit of the member entities of APIL to collectively work on equalizing and improving access
9 across the Pacific; now, therefore,

10 **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Association of Pacific Island
11 Legislatures, 51st Board Meeting, December 1-3, 2010, Colonia, Yap, Federated States of
12 Micronesia, that the Board of Directors, on behalf of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures,
13 hereby encourages the member entities of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures to initiate
14 efforts in formulating a master plan for a Comprehensive Digital Superhighway for the Micronesian
15 and Pacific Region and to request Digital Society Foundation to seek assistance from the United
16 Nations Development Program, the Pacific Islands Forum, and other regional entities in such
17 efforts, and

- 1 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that APIL President shall certify, and the APIL Secretary
2 shall attest, to the adoption of this resolution and that copies of the same shall be thereafter
3 transmitted to the President and CEO of Digital Society Foundation and Chief Executives and
4 Legislative Presiding Officers of each member legislature of the Association of Pacific Island
5 Legislatures.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 3RD DAY OF DECEMBER, 2010.


REBLUUD KESOLEI
PRESIDENT


ALIK J. ALIK
SECRETARY

