



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

Resolution No. 55-BOD-17

A RESOLUTION

“Expressing appreciation to the member entities of the APIL for their singular and collective support for the extension and complete fiber optic connection in the Federated States of Micronesia”

1 **WHEREAS**, the APIL 30th General Assembly in June 2011 in Palau adopted Resolution, 30-
2 GA-21, advocating and supporting the effort to liberalize telecommunication services in the FSM; and

3 **WHEREAS**, the collective efforts and support by the members of the Association of the Pacific
4 Island Legislatures has once again proved effective urging the Congress of the Federated States of
5 Micronesia to approve the liberalization of telecommunication services in the FSM; and

6 **WHEREAS**, the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia finally passed a law which has
7 liberalized telecommunication services in the FSM; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the World Bank has decided to support the fiber optic connectivity in the FSM and
9 that decision will be made on December 17th by the Board of Directors of World Bank; and

10 **WHEREAS**, the liberalization of telecommunication services and the establishment of fiber
11 optic connectivity in the FSM is a major accomplishment that will impact economic development, health,
12 education, family life and community wellbeing and further the effort to connect the jurisdictions of the
13 Blue Continent; and

14 **WHEREAS**, the State of Yap of the Federated States of Micronesia is very much appreciative of
15 all the efforts made by APIL as a whole and the member entities for their wholehearted support in the
16 effort to obtain comprehensive fiber optic connectivity in the Federated States of Micronesia; now,
17 therefore,

1 **BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures,
2 Fifty-Fifth Board Meeting, December 3-5, 2014, Colonia, Yap, Federated States of Micronesia, that the
3 Board of Directors, on behalf of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, hereby expresses its
4 appreciation to the member entities of the APIL for their singular and collective support for the extension
5 and complete fiber optic connection in the Federated States of Micronesia; and

6 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the APIL President shall certify, and the APIL Secretary
7 shall attest, to the adoption of this resolution and that copies of the same shall be thereafter transmitted to
8 the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Speaker of the Congress of the Federated States
9 of Micronesia, and to the Chief Executives and Legislative Presiding Officers of each member legislature
10 of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 5TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2014



JUDITH T. WON PAT, ED. D.
ACTING PRESIDENT



CHANG B. WILLIAM
SECRETARY

