



# 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 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 5<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER, 2014

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

  
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CHANG B. WILLIAM  
SECRETARY

