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A RESOLUTION

Resolution No. 59-BOD-01

"Asserting the need to identify alternative means to improve airline service in Micronesia."

WHEREAS, airline service in the Pacific Islands is of vital importance to supporting growing communities in terms of health care, access to vital services and products, and economic growth; and

WHEREAS, the availability of airline service is a critical component for any tourist destination in Micronesia to have a sustainable and growing tourism economy; and

WHEREAS, in the current situation, Micronesia is largely served by one international carrier and several smaller carriers with limited service which do not effectively serve the needs of our island communities; and

WHEREAS, it is in the interest of all Micronesian communities to explore alternatives to traditional commercial airline service as an avenue to improve airline service; and

WHEREAS, it is the sense of the Board of Directors of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures that the creation of a regional airline composed of a combination of a dedicated non-profit foundation and concerned private sector ventures should be explored; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Directors of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, 59th Board Meeting, January 30 to February 2, 2019, FSM State of Yap, that the Board of Directors, on behalf of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, hereby proclaims its support for the exploration of alternatives combining a non-profit foundation with private sector ventures to improve airline service in Micronesia; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President of the Association of Pacific
Island Legislatures, with the assistance of the APIL Central Secretariat, is hereby
authorized and directed to seek out sources of assistance in identifying combinations of
interested non-profit foundations and private sector ventures and to incorporate their
input as presenters in the next General Assembly of the Association of Pacific Island
Legislatures; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that APIL President shall certify and the APIL Secretary shall attest to the adoption hereof and that copies of the same shall be transmitted to the Chief Executives and the Presiding Legislative Officers of the member jurisdictions of the Association of the Pacific Island Legislatures.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 1ST DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2019.

FERNANDO SCALIEM

PRESIDENT

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IVAN A. BLANCO SECRETARY