

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

APIL Resolution No. 33-GA-15

"Requesting the governments of the member jurisdictions of the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures to work closely together to identify issues related to regional transportation and to develop policies and legislation to address those issues as they arise."

1	WHEREAS, the theme for the 33 rd General Assembly of the Association of the
2	Pacific Island Legislatures (APIL) is "Regional Transportation and Communication"; and
3	WHEREAS, the APIL is one of the largest gatherings for today's Pacific policy
4	makers providing an unique environment which enables legislators to build strong legislative
5	networks; and
6	WHEREAS, gratitude goes to the Republic of the Marshall Islands for the hospitality
7	and generosity during their hosting of the 33 rd General Assembly of the APIL; and
8	WHEREAS, our beautiful island nations are inherently dependent on regional and
9	international transportation due to their remote location; and
10	WHEREAS, many APIL member states and entities depend on the import of goods
11	and services by sea and air; and
12	WHEREAS, frequency, reliability and affordability are of particular importance
13	when it comes to transportation, since the livelihood of many people depends on it; and
14	WHEREAS, the APIL member states recognize the increasing importance of
15	reliable, affordable and frequent regional transportation in order to connect our island nations
16	to international markets and to enhance the economy of our great nations; and

WHEREAS, there is still much to be done to increase the frequency and affordability of regional transportation through policy, legislation and bilateral and multilateral negotiations, including our partners in the private sector and airline and vessel carriers; now,

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BE IT RESOLVED, by the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, 33rd General Assembly, July 15-17, 2014 in Majuro, Republic of Marshal Islands, that the governments of the member jurisdictions of the Association of Pacific Islands Legislatures are requested to work closely together to identify issues related to regional transportation and to develop policies and legislation to address those issues as they arise; 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 Chief Executives and Legislative Presiding Officers of each APIL member entity.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 17th DAY OF JULY, 2014.

JUDITH T. WON PAT, ED.D.

PRESIDENT

SECRETARY