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Resolution No. 1

Expressing support for increased allocation of compact funding, through the Annual Implementation Plan (AIP), towards the establishment of a nationwide program to address critical environmental and climate change related challenges in the first five (5) years of the Compact period.

WHEREAS, the Compact of Free Association between the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) and the United States of America (USA), as amended, was further amended in 2023;

WHEREAS, the amended Compact allows for increased funding to be allocated for the environment and climate change;

WHEREAS, climate change and environmental degradation have emerged as an existential threat to the FSM over the last 20 years;

WHEREAS, the increased funding under the compact represents an opportunity to invest resources to preserve and protect our environment in the face of climate change;

WHEREAS, Principals deliberated on compact implementation issues including the establishment of a nationwide program to address critical environment and climate change matters, reflecting the FSM's heightened priority in these areas.

NOW THEREFORE, Leaders of the State Governments of Kosrae, Pohnpei, Chuuk and Yap and of the National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia RESOLVE to express their support for increased allocation of compact funding, through the AIP, towards the establishment of a nationwide program to address critical environmental and climate change related challenges in the first five (5) years of the Compact period.

Adopted in Kolonia, Pohnpei on this 16th day of August, 2024

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