

A RESOLUTION

Adopting the National Tourism Policy and Tourism Investment Plans of the Federated States of Micronesia.

1 WHEREAS, the Nation recognizes the need to formulate a
2 national tourism policy and investment plans for the Federated
3 States of Micronesia in order to promote and stimulate economic
4 growth in the tourism sector in line with the Strategic
5 Development Plan; and

6 WHEREAS, the National and State Tourism Offices and the
7 relevant stakeholders, with the technical assistance of the South
8 Pacific Tourism Organization and the Asian Development Bank,
9 developed and presented the draft policy and draft investment
10 plans to the State and National Leadership Conference in January
11 2015; and

12 WHEREAS, the final draft of the National Tourism Policy and
13 Tourism Investment Plans for the FSM was adopted during a national
14 workshop held in March 2015 after incorporating comments from all
15 relevant stakeholders; and

16 WHEREAS, the vision of the National Tourism Policy is "to
17 halt the decline in visitor arrivals over the next three years,
18 then to progressively develop the FSM tourism sector for the
19 Nation to become a leading sustainable tourism destination by
20 2023; and

21 WHEREAS, the National Tourism Policy envisages a two-pronged
22 strategy serving as a framework to improve tourism in the FSM,

1 namely: First, to put in place six building blocks (Tourism
2 Product Development, Destination Marketing and Internationally
3 Competitive, Investment, Human Resources Capacity Development, and
4 Governance) and reform the FSM's tourism industry; to use the six
5 building blocks as platforms to develop and sustain a robust and
6 productive tourism sector that supports sustainable economic
7 growth by promoting green economy, employment opportunities, and
8 income generation for better social and health lifestyles for its
9 people; now, therefore,

10 BE IT RESOLVED by the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated
11 States of Micronesia, Second Regular Session, 2015, that Congress
12 hereby adopts the National Tourism Policy and the Tourism
13 Investment Plans; and

14 BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
15 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States
16 of Micronesia and the Governor of each State of the Nation.

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18 Date: 9/22/15

Introduced by: /s/ Florencio S. Harper
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