

# **RESOLUTION 28**

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# NITIJELA OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS 37TH CONSTITUTION REGULAR SESSION, 2016



Republic of the Marshall Islands *Jepilpilin Ke Ejukaan* 

#### **RESOLUTION 28**

A RESOLUTION to reaffirm the Republic of the Marshall Islands diplomatic relations with the Republic of China (Taiwan).

WHEREAS, on November 20, 1998, the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Republic of China (Taiwan), signed a communiqué formalized the diplomatic relations between the two countries; and

WHEREAS, the two governments decided to forge full relations for the purpose of strengthening ties of friendship and cooperation in line with the principle of freedom and democracy, equality of states, mutual respect for sovereignty and mutual benefit for the purpose of strengthening ties of friendship; and

WHEREAS, Embassies have been set up both here in Majuro, Republic of the Marshall Islands and in Taipei, Republic of China (Taiwan); and

WHEREAS, over the years, ROC has send many technical missions including agricultural and livestock technical missions to help and assist the RMI develop the local communities; and

WHEREAS, over the years, the ROC (Taiwan) has contributed significantly to the development of the RMI, and currently is the second largest donor to RMI after the United States in areas such as social, technical and economic development. For example, grants made available to the Marshall Islands enabled medical doctors

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from ROC (Taiwan) to provide medical services throughout the country while other ROC specialists performed other activities in areas such as agriculture and vocational trainings; and

WHEREAS, the ROC (Taiwan) Government has also generously assisted the RMI Government in various infrastructure development projects such as highway improvement and pavement, school and local government construction and renovation projects, and the procurement of ships. And moreover, ROC (Taiwan) is thus far the only Subsequent Contributor to the Trust Fund of the People of the Republic of the Marshall Islands under the RMI-U.S. Compact of Free Association, As Amended. To date, ROC (Taiwan) has contributed \$10million to the D Account and more than \$20 million to the A Account; and

 WHEREAS, through the cordial relationship between the two countries, relationship is further promoted and broadened through the establishment of sister city relations at the local level. The Majuro Atoll Local Government entered into a sister city relationship with the City of Taipei on August 4, 1999, and the Kili, Bikini, Ejit Local Government established sister city relationship with the County of Keelung, and Kwajalein Attol Local Government (Ebeye) with the county of Taichung; and

 WHEREAS, the Republic of the Marshall Islands has always shown its support and cooperation to ROC (Taiwan) towards obtaining membership to the international organizations including the Asia Pacific Parliamentary Forum (APPF) and the International Parliamentary Union (IPU), as well as support on observer status and participation at the International organizations such as the United Nations World Health Assembly (WHA), International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) and the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC); now therefore,

 **BE IT RESOLVED** by the People of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, through their Nitijela in its 37th Constitution Regular Session, 2016 that the Nitijela hereby reaffirms the Republic of the Marshall Islands's full diplomatic relations with the Republic of the China Taiwan.

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