RESOLUTION 27

Introduced by:

HON. VICE SPEAKER JEJWARICK ANTON

Approved:

HON. SPEAKER KENNETH A. KEDI /s/
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A RESOLUTION requesting the Cabinet to consider through the appropriate Ministry a memorandum of agreement between the Government and the Local Government of Arno Atoll, it’s People and group of persons, to have access and right of use to a Coral Reef known as Lomjalulu.

WHEREAS, Further to a 50-Mile jurisdiction from the baseline outward beyond the 5 mile jurisdiction of the local government; and a 30-mile radius, is the known Coral Reef named “Lomjalulu”, which is situated at 7degrees-miles northeast of the community of Longar, Rearlaplap group of islets within Arno Atoll; and

WHEREAS, the coral reef Lomjalulu is considered a cultural site that has been known and recognized as part of Arno Atoll; and

WHEREAS, traditional practices of certain fishing methods for special species of fish, only occurs at this Lomjalulu, and recognition of this tradition, people of Arno and their local entity should continue to enjoy the benefits of such sites in the midst of any future developments to cultural site;

WHEREAS, in collaboration with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry of Resources and Development to enter into Memorandum of Agreement that any future developments occurring on the cultural site must be equally shared between the national Government and the people of Arno;
WHEREAS, the site is significant and potential to have deep sea mining resources; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the People of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, through their Nitijela in its 37th Constitutional Regular Session, 2016 that the Nitijela, hereby approved request for the Cabinet to consider entering into Memorandum of Agreement on the known Coral Reef “Lomjalulu”; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Arno local government be given the responsibility to conduct a feasibility study on deep sea resources on the coral reef Lomjalulu.
NITIJELA OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS
37TH CONSTITUTIONAL REGULAR SESSION, 2016

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SIGNATURES

DATE: AUG. 11, 2016
INTRODUCED BY V-SPEAKER JEJWARICK ATON
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