NITIJELA OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS
43RD CONSTITUTIONAL REGULAR SESSION, 2022

Republic of the Marshall Islands
Jepilpilin Ke Ejukaan

RESOLUTION 63

A RESOLUTION to rescind Nitijela Resolution 35, adopted by the Nitijela of the Republic of the Marshall Islands at its 42nd Constitutional Regular Session, 2021.

WHEREAS, the Government of the Marshall Islands sought membership in the Pacific Islands Forum (the Forum), the preeminent regional political organization, beginning in 1980; and

WHEREAS, the Marshall Islands attained full membership of the Forum in 1987; and

WHEREAS, the Nitijela adopted Resolution 35 in 2021 approving the withdrawal of the Republic of the Marshall Islands from the Forum; and

WHEREAS, the RMI Government submitted to the Government of Fiji, as the depository, the letter of denunciation, and advising of RMI's intention to exit the Forum, due to reasons associated with unfair distribution of opportunities within the Forum; and

WHEREAS, the Forum have proposed reforms including the sub-regional rotation of the secretary-general position and establishment of a North Pacific sub-regional office; and

WHEREAS, the Nitijela regards international cooperation as the foundation rock for building strong bridges of understanding and enduring friendly relations among peoples and nations; and

WHEREAS, for over three decades, the RMI valued and still does consider Forum membership and regional solidarity as vital and essential elements of the nation's foreign policy, and accordingly, the withdrawal of the denunciation serves the long-term national interests of the RMI, and its future generations; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the People of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, through their Nitijela in its 43rd Constitutional Regular Session, 2022 that the Nitijela hereby rescinds in its entirety Nitijela Resolution 35, adopted by the Nitijela of the Republic of the Marshall Islands at its 42nd Constitutional Regular Session, 2021.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Resolution be transmitted by the Speaker of the Nitijela to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Fiji (the depository State) and the Secretariat of the Pacific Islands Forum forthwith.

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SIGNATURES

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