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Dear Local2030 Islands Network Secretariat,

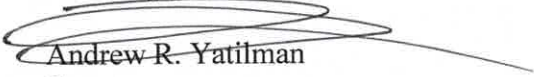
I am pleased to confirm that the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) supports the Four Principles of the Local2030 Islands Network:

- Identify local goals to advance the SDGs and strengthen long-term political leadership on climate resilience and net-zero emissions pathways.
- Strengthen public-private partnerships that support diverse stakeholders in integrating sustainability priorities into policy and planning.
- Measure SDG progress through tracking and reporting on locally and culturally informed indicators.
- Implement concrete initiatives that build island resilience and a circular economy through locally appropriate solutions, particularly at the water-energy-food nexus

With this communication, we express our intent to implement these principles and we are committed to engaging in collaborative island projects which advance the local implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals. The FSM will make a clear statement of this commitment to our partners and the general public. The Department of Environment, Climate Change, and Emergency Management (DECCEM) will serve as the FSM focal point for the Local2030 Islands Network. Our top priorities of collaboration with the Local2030 Islands Network are SDG tracking, climate change, environment and marine resource management/conservation (coastal and pelagic).

In closing, it is my honor and pleasure to convey the best wishes and appreciation of His Excellency David W. Panuelo, President of the Federated States of Micronesia, to Executive Director Celeste Connors, Hawai'i Green Growth Local2030 Hub and Executive Director Kate Brown, Global Island Partnership, for your dedication and hard work promoting island networking and for inviting the FSM to formally confirm our membership in the Network.

Sincerely yours,


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Secretary

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Secretary, Department of Foreign Affairs
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