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Dear Local2030 Islands Network Secretariat,

I am pleased to confirm that ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability 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 support and elevate island communities in implementing these principles which advance the local implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals. ICLEI – Local Governments for Sustainability will make a clear statement of this commitment to our partners and the general public. The focal point for Local2030 Islands Network is Sunandan Tiwari, Director Global Implementation (sunandan.tiwari@iclei.org) with Steve Gawler, Regional Director, ICLEI Oceania as a back-up focal point and the Pacific Representative (steve.gawler@iclei.org).

Our top priorities of collaboration with the Local2030 Islands Network is to promote sustainable island and urban development through sub-national and city leadership on a range of issues important to islands including amongst others: resilience and systems planning, climate change and clean energy, healthy oceans and near-shore coastal fisheries management, resilient infrastructure and innovative finance, ecosystems services for resilience and post disaster recovery and sustainable tourism.

Sincerely yours,



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