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Dear Ms. Mendiola,

Subject: Thank you for becoming a Friend of the Global Island Partnership

I would like to welcome the Federated States of Micronesia Development Bank as a Friend of the Global Island Partnership. Led by the Presidents of Palau, Republic of the Marshall Islands and Seychelles, Prime Minister of Grenada and Premier of the British Virgin Islands, our mission is to promote action to build resilient and sustainable communities for all islands globally and I look forward to your engagement through the Partnership as we work together to achieve this.

The Global Island Partnership is a voluntary and inclusive partnership of island champions - countries and organisations - who inspire and support each other to take action and produce results for island communities. As a Friend of the Global Island Partnership, you connect with a group of dedicated island leaders and supporters working towards the common goals and priorities of our 2030 Strategy.

As a Friend, we invite you to be a champion of the Partnership through raising awareness of island resilience priorities and recommending others to join our Partnership that will add value to our Partnership's network. I encourage you to consider becoming a full member to have greater involvement in shaping our goals and priorities as well as closer engagement with other members.

For more information on how we work, please do review the <u>Members Handbook</u>. I also encourage you to reach out to Jessica (<u>Jessica.robbins@glispa.org</u>) to discuss opportunities to engage with the Partnership this year.

Thank you once again for becoming a Friend of GLISPA at this pivotal time for islands.

Kind regards,

Hersey Kyota

Board Chair, Global Island Partnership

Ambassador to the United States, Republic of Palau