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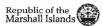
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## JUDICIARY (AMENDMENT) ACT, 2018

**AN ACT** to amend Section 251(1)(n) of the *Judiciary Act 1983*, 27 MIRC Chp. 2, to permit residents of the Republic to file lawsuits in the Republic's courts against persons who commit an intentional act outside the Republic, which act is aimed at the Republic and causes harm, the brunt of which is suffered and the person who commits the act knows is likely to be suffered by the resident.

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE NITIJELA OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS

#### §101. Short Title.

This Act may be cited as the Judiciary (Amendment) Act 2018.

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#### §102. Amendment.

Section 251(1)(n) of the *Judiciary Act 1983,* 27 MIRC Chp. 2 is amended to read as follows:

#### §251. Persons subject to civil jurisdiction.

(1) Any person, corporation or legal entity, who in person or through an agent or servant:

(n) commits an intentional act, which is aimed at the Republic and causes harm, the brunt of which is suffered and the person who commits the act knows is likely to be suffered by a resident of the Republic, in the Republic, excluding harm to non-residents arising out of harm to non-resident domestic entities, is subject to the civil jurisdiction of the courts of the Republic as to any cause of action arising from any of those matters.

#### 103. Effective Date.

This Act shall take effect on the date of certification in accordance with Article IV, Section 21 of the Constitution.

#### CERTIFICATE

#### I hereby certify:

1. That Nitijela Bill No: 109 was passed by the Nitijela of the Republic of the Marshall Islands on the <u>20th</u> day of <u>Fubruary</u> 2018; and

2. That I am satisfied that Nitijela Bill No: 109 was passed in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Rules of Procedures of the Nitijela.

I hereby place my signature before the Clerk this  $15^{\text{m}}$  day of  $\underline{\text{Mmch}}$  2018.

Attest:

**Hon. Kenneth A. Kedi** Speaker Nitijela of the Marshall Islands

**Morean Watak** Clerk Nitijela of the Marshall Islands