

**ASIA-PACIFIC PARLIAMENTARY FORUM
27TH ANNUAL MEETING**

**WOMEN'S ROLE IN PROSPERITY AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE
ASIA-PACIFIC**

(draft resolution sponsored by the Russian Federation)

The 27th Annual Meeting of the Asia-Pacific Parliamentary Forum,
Recalling the resolutions on empowerment of women approved
at the 26th Annual Meeting of the Asia-Pacific Parliamentary Forum;

Urging to create conditions for women's full and equal participation
in political, economic, social and cultural areas of public life, including by
adoption of relevant national strategies in women's interests;

Welcoming a twofold growth of women's representation in parliaments
worldwide, *appreciating* the fact that every fifth parliamentarian on the planet
today is a woman, and *noting* the endeavors to achieve a parity between male and
female parliamentarians by 2030;

Being concerned about an increased number of facts of violence and terrorist
attacks instigated by the spread of the ideology of Nazism, neo-Nazism, racism,
xenophobia and related intolerance women are exposed to in various forms;

Acknowledging the unique contribution of women into development of
interfaith and interethnic dialog and promotion of the culture of peace as
an essential precondition for preventing armed conflicts and improving
international cooperation for the benefit of peace and development;

Welcoming the efforts aimed at implementing projects and initiatives
for women's engagement in economic and social activities on an equal basis with
men, as well as the active role of the women's community in implementation of
initiatives within global and regional integration associations, including SCO,
BRICS, APEC, G20, and Women 20 (W20);

Urging to support in every possible way women's charity and volunteering activities aimed to promote sports and a healthy lifestyle, create favorable conditions for women of all ages and develop active aging programs;

Encouraging creation and work of efficient and meaningful dialog platforms whose activities are greatly promoting consolidation of the world women's community for the sake of sustainable and safe future, and *welcoming* successful work of the second Eurasian Women's Forum held in Saint Petersburg in September 2018;

Welcoming also the permanent status of the APPF Women Parliamentarians Meeting.

RESOLVES TO:

1. **Call upon** the parliaments of the APPF Member States to continue focusing on legislative support of expansion of women's legal, economic and social opportunities, enhancement of the system of family, maternity and childhood protection, and provision of high-quality medical and social aid.
2. **Urge** to develop and promote specialized programs aimed at increasing women's economic activity and enhancing their digital and financial literacy, and to put these issues as priority topics on agendas of international organizations and associations.
3. **Contribute to** support of comprehensive and guaranteed participation and promotion of women in state governance and elections of all levels, in socio-political life, in elimination of legal, administrative, cultural and economic obstacles to that.
4. **Further** enhancement of women's role in development of interfaith and interethnic dialog, including by supporting the Inter-Parliamentary Union's initiative to prepare in cooperation with the United Nations and to organize a world conference on interfaith and interethnic dialogue with the participation of Heads of State, chairpersons of parliaments, parliamentarians and representatives of world religions.

5. **Enhance** women's role in preservation of the traditional family values and life attitudes, moral climate in the society, as well as interaction of the world women's community in that area.