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October 07 , 2020

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina Speaker FSM Congress Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear Speaker Simina:

I transmit herewith a certified copy of Congressional Resolution No. 21-209, which was adopted by the Twenty-First Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fifth Regular Session, 2020.

Sincerely,

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis

Chief Clerk

Congress of the

Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures



TWENTY-FIRST CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA FIFTH REGULAR SESSION SEPTEMBER 14 – OCTOBER 3, 2020

## A RESOLUTION

RECOGNIZING THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF THE LATE FORMER FSM SENATOR, PETER SITAN, WHO PASSED IN JULY, 2020 AND EXPRESSING THE SINCERE APPRECIATION OF THE FSM CONGRESS FOR HIS MANY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE NATION.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: FLORENCIO S. HARPER

DATE: OCTOBER 2, 2020

ADOPTED: OCTOBER 2, 2020

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis Chief Clerk, FSM Congress

## A RESOLUTION

Recognizing the accomplishments of the late former FSM senator, Peter Sitan, who passed in July, 2020 and expressing the sincere appreciation of the FSM Congress for his many contributions to the Nation.

- 1 WHEREAS, Peter Sitan served three terms as a Member of the
- 2 FSM Congress from 2005-2011, having first been elected to the
- 3 14th Congress as the two-year representative of the
- 4 Congressional Election District One in the state of Chuuk which
- 5 is comprised of the Mortlock Islands and during his first term,
- 6 Mr. Sitan held the Vice Chairmanship of the Standing Committee
- 7 on External Affairs and membership on the committee of Resources
- 8 and Development and the committee on Transportation and
- 9 Communication; and
- 10 WHEREAS, during the subsequent 15th and 16th Congress, Mr.
- 11 Sitan served as the Chairman of the Standing Committee on
- 12 Judiciary and Governmental Operations and throughout his three
- 13 terms in Congress Mr. Sitan was a member on all standing
- 14 committees of the Congress, at one time or another; and
- WHEREAS, while Mr. Sitan spent six years in the FSM Congress
- 16 representing the interest of the people of the Mortlock Islands
- 17 and the Nation as a whole, he spent his lifetime devoted in
- 18 service to people of the FSM through his role in the management
- 19 and development of fisheries in the Nation; and
- 20 WHEREAS, Mr. Sitan had an innate love for and affinity with

- 1 the ocean, he was embraced and bred by the ocean most of his young
- 2 life, as a swimmer, a fishing novice and a student of traditional
- 3 ocean skills; and
- WHEREAS, in 1981, the Nation's foremost authority on marine
- 5 resources, the Micronesian Maritime Authority (MMA), hired Mr.
- 6 Sitan to be its Deputy Director and he served in that capacity for
- 7 five years and in 1986, he took on the post of Executive Director
- 8 of MMA where he maintained his post for the next 12 years and
- 9 under his stewardship, the information gathering, research and
- 10 analysis capabilities of the then MMA had vastly improved and was
- 11 widely recognized as one of the leading fisheries agencies in the
- 12 Pacific; and
- 13 WHEREAS, In 1993, Mr. Sitan accepted the post of
- 14 President/Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the FSM's other
- 15 establishment on fisheries the National Fisheries Corporation
- 16 (NFC) where he spent 21 years of service to promote the
- 17 development of pelagic fisheries and related industries for the
- 18 benefit of the people of the FSM and throughout his stewardship of
- 19 the NFC, Mr. Sitan had stimulated the fisheries development in the
- 20 Nation through its various joint ventures that have added to the
- 21 local and national economy through the creation of employment
- 22 opportunities and explorations of new onshore investments; and
- 23 WHEREAS, in 2004, Mr. Sitan was elected as a delegate for the
- 24 3rd Chuuk State Constitutional Convention and he served as the
- 25 Chairman of the Committee on Finance; and

1	WHEREAS, in 2019, Mr. Sitan was elected as a delegate for the
2	4th FSM National Constitutional Convention and he served as the
3	Chairman of the Finance Committee; and
4	WHEREAS, Mr. Sitan had devoted over 30 years of his public
5	service life to the management and development of fisheries in the
6	Nation and is recognized and respected for his comprehensive
7	knowledge and extensive experience in the area of fisheries and
8	should heretofore, be remembered as a forefather of FSM commercial
9	fisheries development; now, therefore,
10	BE IT RESOLVED by the Twenty-First Congress of the Federated
11	States of Micronesia, Fifth Regular Session, 2020, that Congress
12	hereby expresses its sincere gratitude to the late Peter Sitan for
13	his innumerable contributions to the FSM and its people; and
14	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
15	resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States
16	of Micronesia and Elihter Edgar.
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18	ADOPTED: October 2, 2020
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20	Wesley W. Simina Speaker
21	FSM Congress
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23	ATTEST: /
24	Liwiana Ramon Ioanis Chief Clerk FSM Congress

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