A RESOLUTION

To proclaim The Population Policy of the Federated States of Micronesia as a priority endeavor in this Nation, and thereby promote citizen awareness of the need to exercise the recommended strategies of the policy to reduce our extremely high population growth rate.

- 1 WHEREAS, our extremely high population growth rate is a cause,
- 2 or contributing cause, of unemployment, crime, malnutrition, family
- 3 and cultural breakdown, outmigration of citizens, infectious disease,
- 4 psychological ills, food-related disease, reduced educational
- 5 resources, lower levels of social services, stress on our health care
- 6 system, and problems of our youth involving alcohol, drugs, violence
- 7 and suicide; and
- 8 WHEREAS, our population growth rate is leading to shortages and
- 9 increased costs of food, land, housing, and other essentials; and
- 10 WHEREAS, our people, and particularly our youth and those of
- 11 future generations, are, and will be, denied the attainment of their
- 12 fullest potential if our population growth rate is not reduced; and
- 13 WHEREAS, the President, Department of Human Resources, and a
- 14 Task Force, with representatives from all four States and the National
- 15 Government, formulated The Population Policy of the Federated States
- 16 of Micronesia to address the needs of our people and the President
- 17 approved the Policy on April 20, 1988; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia
- 19 considers The Population Policy of the Federated States of Micronesia
- 20 to be a priority endeavor for our people; now, therefore,
- 21 BE IT RESOLVED by the Sixth Congress of the Federated States of
- 22 Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session, 1990, that The Population Policy
- 23 of the Federated States of Micronesia approved by the President on
- 24 April 20, 1988 is hereby proclaimed to be a priority endeavor of this
- 25 Nation and citizens are urged to follow the recommended strategies of

the Policy; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Governor of each State within the Federated States of Micronesia, the Speaker of each State legislature within the Federated States of Micronesia, and the President of the Federated States of Micronesia. Introduced by: Jacob Nena Date: 10/29/91