A RESOLUTION

Calling on the President of the Federated States of Micronesia to establish a Special Task Force on Accelerated Sea-Level Rise.

- 1 WHEREAS the FSM ratified the United Nations Framework
- 2 Convention on Climate Change (UNFCC) on November 18, 1992; and
- 3 WHEREAS the FSM has ratified the Convention's Kyoto Protocol
- 4 on June 21, 1999; and
- 5 WHEREAS Article IV(4) of the UNFCC calls on Parties to
- 6 "assist the developing country Parties that are particularly
- 7 vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change in meeting
- 8 costs of adaptation to those adverse effects"; and
- 9 WHEREAS the affects of accelerated sea-level rise are now
- 10 being seen throughout the FSM, particularly in low-lying coastal
- 11 areas and atoll communities, and these areas are now experiencing
- 12 property damage and loss; and
- 13 WHEREAS more areas of the FSM are being affected as the seas
- 14 continue to rise, threatening widespread population dislocation
- and loss of economic activity; now, therefore,
- 16 BE IT RESOLVED by the Fourteenth Congress of the Federated
- 17 States of Micronesia, Fifth Regular Session, 2006, that the
- 18 Congress requests the President of the Federated States of
- 19 Micronesia to establish, at the earliest opportunity and as a
- 20 matter of urgency, a Special Task Force on Accelerated Sea-Level
- 21 Rise to investigate the nature of the problem and propose possible

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1 solutions, taking into account the UN Framework Convention on
 2 Climate Change and its Kyoto Protocol, as well as related
 3 bilateral agreements;
        BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 5 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States
 6 of Micronesia and the Governor of each State.
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