FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 2006

C.R. NO. 14-74

A RESOLUTION

Requesting the President of the Federated States of Micronesia to accelerate implementation of the plan to designate the FSM as a "World Park".

1 WHEREAS, the "World Park Economic Development Strategy" is a component of the FSM Strategic Development Plan as adopted by the 2 FSM Congress; and 3 4 WHEREAS, the Federated States of Micronesia has exceptional 5 cultural, historical, and environmental attractions that should be preserved and enhanced for the education and enjoyment of future 6 generations of Micronesians and visitors to Micronesia; and 7 8 WHEREAS, the strategy seeks to establish a model of 9 sustainable economic development for each of the States of the Federated States of Micronesia; and 10 11 WHEREAS, meetings have been widely held throughout the FSM

12 with government and traditional leaders, including through 13 Governor-appointed World Park Task Forces; and

14 WHEREAS, the strategy has been endorsed by a number of state 15 legislatures, traditional leaders, religious groups and other 16 stakeholders as well as the FSM Visitors Board and experts in the 17 fields of international development, tourism, fisheries and 18 agriculture; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Fourteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session, 2006, that the Congress requests the President to direct the Secretary of Economic Affairs and other relevant officials to engage in
discussions, at the earliest opportunity, with the leadership of
the FSM States regarding implementation of the COM-FSM World Park
Implementation Planning Proposal as presented by the FSM Visitors
Board; and

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Congress requests the 7 President to direct the Secretary of Justice to accelerate steps to secure legal ownership rights in the terms "FSM World Park" and 8 9 "World Park" to protect these key elements of the strategy; and 10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States 11 of Micronesia, the Governor of each State, the Secretary of 12 13 Economic Affairs and the Secretary of Justice. 14

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