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
15 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
solutions, taking into account the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change and its Kyoto Protocol, as well as related bilateral agreements;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia and the Governor of each State.

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