A RESOLUTION

Ratifying the Amendments to the Palau Arrangement for the Management of the Western Pacific Purse Seine Fishery.

WHEREAS, the Federated States of Micronesia is a party to the Palau Arrangement for the Management of the Western Pacific Purse Seine Fishery ("the Palau Agreement");

WHEREAS, on the 21st May 2004, at the 9th Annual Meeting of Parties held in Tarawa, Kiribati, the parties to the Palau Agreement adopted amendments to Article 3.2(b)(i) and (ii), Article 3.2(d), Article 3.3, Article 5, Article 6, Article 9.5, Article 7, Article 8, Article 9, Annex 1 and Annex 2; and

WHEREAS, any amendment to a treaty requires approval by resolution of the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, pursuant to Article IX section 2(b) of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia, in order for such amendment to be effective; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Fourteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Sixth Regular Session, 2007, that the above-referenced amendments to the Palau Agreement is hereby approved; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Executive Director of the National Oceanic Resource Management Authority and the South Pacific Forum Fisheries Agency which is the depositary for the Palau Agreement.

Date: 1/13/07

Introduced by: /s/ Simiram Sipenuk

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(by request)