A RESOLUTION

To consider and approve a Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Federated States of Micronesia on Fishing in the Federated States of Micronesia.

WHEREAS, the National Oceanic Resource Management Authority (NORMA) signed on 12 October 2006 a Partnership Agreement between the European Community and the Federated States of Micronesia on Fishing in the Federated States of Micronesia, to regulate European Community Fishing Vessels fishing in the FSM Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ); and

WHEREAS, any 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 the Treaty to be effective; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Fourteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Sixth Regular Session, 2007, that the Partnership Agreement described herein is hereby approved by the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as this agreement generates a set payment for the right to fish in the FSM's EEZ, as well as additional payments if the vessels catch over the anticipated amounts, NORMA is hereby encouraged to ensure that the terms of the Agreement are met and excess catches duly charged;
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, Executive Director of the National Oceanic Resource Management Authority, the Secretary of Foreign Affairs, and the Secretary of Finance and Administration.

Date: 1/23/07
Introduced by: /s/ Manny Mori

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