A RESOLUTION

Thanking Ms. Lourdes Pangelinan, outgoing Director-General of the Secretariat of the Pacific Community, for her distinguished service to Pacific Island Countries and for her contribution to the Federated States of Micronesia.

WHEREAS, Ms. Lourdes Pangelinan, a native of Guam, has represented the Micronesian region with distinction in the international arena, including two terms as Director-General of the Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC); and

WHEREAS, by her exemplary leadership of SPC she has increased awareness of the Micronesian region among other Pacific Island Countries and among development partners of the region; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure, SPC increased substantially its role and visibility in the Federated States of Micronesia, including but not limited to assistance with quarantine procedures and invasive species control; and

WHEREAS, SPC just concluded an agreement with the FSM for a regional office to be situated on Pohnpei to serve as a hub to increase its activities North of the Equator; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Pangelinan’s term at SPC is expiring and she is visiting the FSM for the last time as Director-General of SPC; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Fourteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2006, that the Congress hereby expresses its gratitude for Lourdes Pangelinan’s contribution to the welfare and development of the FSM through SPC;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Congress hereby conveys to
Lourdes Pangelinan its best wishes for continuing professional success;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Fed.

Date: ______________ Introduced by: ____________________________

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