A RESOLUTION

Expressing the appreciation of the Congress for the dedication and lifetime achievement in public service of Johnny P. David, Governor of Pohnpei

1 WHEREAS, Johnny P. David will shortly complete his tenure as Governor of Pohnpei State;

2 WHEREAS, Johnny P. David has made profound marks on the recent history of Pohnpei and of the Federated States of Micronesia;

3 WHEREAS, Johnny P. David was educated at Kitti Elementary School, Ohwa Christian Training School, Pacific Islands Central School (PICS) on then-named Truk, and the Community College of Micronesia;

4 WHEREAS, Johnny P. David held a number of positions in the health and education sector, including Teacher at Salapwuk Elementary School and Principal of Ohmine Elementary School before entering politics;

5 WHEREAS, in 1985 he was elected Lieutenant-Governor of Pohnpei State, and was re-elected to that position in 1989;

6 WHEREAS, in 1992 he was elected Governor of Pohnpei State, and served until 1996.

7 WHEREAS, after four years he was elected once again as Governor of Pohnpei in 2000, and re-elected to that position in 2004, thus serving three terms as Governor and two terms as Lieutenant Governor:
WHEREAS, Johnny P. David is also a Senior Pastor of Pohnalamwahu United Church of Christ and a member of the Pwihn en Apwahpwalih (Governing Council) of the United Church of Christ,

WHEREAS, he is a successful entrepreneur and businessman as President/Owner of EMC, a company in the construction and hardware business;

WHEREAS, Johnny P. David has been bestowed the traditional titles of Luhk Sounaleng from Madolenihnw, Luhk en Sihr from U, Luhk en Mweinmwahu from Kitti, Nanewa en Seipel from Pingelap, and Luhken Sampei from Sapwuahfik;

WHEREAS Johnny P. David was instrumental in completing the Circular Road around Pohnpei, and in initiating the work for extension of the runway at the Pohnpei Airport;

WHEREAS, as he leaves office, Pohnpei State posted an audit with no questioned costs, and an error rate lower than the average of United States jurisdictions, as well as a surplus of more than $8 million;

WHEREAS, under his last two administrations, all the public schools and the hospital on Pohnpei have been renovated and the hospital extended;

WHEREAS, a new administration building for Pohnpei State government will be built shortly with grant funds;

WHEREAS, he convinced the Legislature to set aside land for the Tuna Commission, thus transforming Pohnpei into an international meeting center;

WHEREAS, Johnny P. David did these and much more for the
people of Pohnpei; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Fifteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, that the Congress hereby expresses its appreciation and the sincere gratitude of the people of the Federated States of Micronesia for the dedication and lifetime achievements of Johnny P. David, for his dedication to public service, his leadership, and his vision that made Pohnpei the part of the Federated States of Micronesia that it is;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Pohnpei Governor’s Office, the Pohnpei State Legislature, and the Honorable Johnny P. David.

Date: 11/22/07

Introduced by: /s/ Dion G. Neth

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