A RESOLUTION

Expressing the sadness and condolences of the Fifteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia at the passing of John A. Mangefel of the State of Yap.

1  WHEREAS, John A. Mangefel of the State of Yap passed away at Yap Memorial hospital on April 11, 2007 at the age of 74; and
2  WHEREAS, John A. Mangefel was a long-time leader and statesman with extensive experience in public service and government, both at the state and national levels; and
3  WHEREAS, John A. Mangefel played a key role in the political development of Micronesia, particularly in our early stages; and
4  WHEREAS, John A. Mangefel completed his formal education with a BA in English Literature and Education and graduate work at the East–West Center and North Eastern University in Boston, USA; and
5  WHEREAS, John A. Mangefel has served the people of the State of Yap and of the Federated States of Micronesia as an Associate Judge of the Yap District Court, a member of the Yap Islands Congress, was elected to the House of Representatives in 1968, in 1972 to the Senate of the Congress of Micronesia and in 1978 as the first Governor of the State of Yap and the first Governor under the Constitution of the State of Yap;
6  WHEREAS, after serving his second term as governor, John A. Mangefel continued his public service in various capacities both at the state and national level, including serving as Special
Assistant to the Governor and Deputy Secretary of the FSM Department of External Affairs;

WHEREAS, John A. Mangefel will be remembered as a great statesman and leader who made many contributions to the political, economic and social development of the State of Yap and to the whole of the Federated States of Micronesia;

WHEREAS, the Members of the Fifteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia join the family and friends of John A. Mangefel, as well as the people of the State of Yap, in mourning his untimely passing; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Fifteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, First Regular Session, 2007, that the Congress, on behalf of the people of the Federated States of Micronesia, wishes to express to the family and friends of the late John A. Mangefel, the people of the State of Yap and of the Federated States of Micronesia, its sadness and condolences at his passing;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, Governor of the State of Yap and the family of John A. Mangefel.

Date: 5/25/07  Introduced by: /s/ Joseph J. Urusemal

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