EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FIFTH REGULAR SESSION, 2014

C.R. NO. 18-188

A RESOLUTION

Requesting the President to request the Secretary of Finance and Administration to resign from position and remove him of all official duties due to his willful misleading of Congress regarding the alternate plan for the use of the World Bank IDA-16 funds and for misleading Congress in his revenue projections for FY14. 1 WHEREAS, the Secretary of Finance and Administration has a 2 responsibility to provide truthful answers when being 3 questioned by Congressional Committees; and WHEREAS, the Secretary of Finance and Administration in 4 his official capacity, has a responsibility to provide an 5 honest revenue projection to the Congress of the Federated 6 7 States of Micronesia; and 8 WHEREAS, the Secretary of Finance and Administration has a 9 responsibility to adjust his revenue projections accordingly 10 throughout the fiscal year as the need arises; and WHEREAS, the Congress of the Federated States of 11 12 Micronesia specifically questioned the Secretary of Finance 13 and Administration as to any alternative plan for the use of World Bank IDA-16 funds; and 14

WHEREAS, the Secretary of Finance and Administration denied there being any alternative plan for the use of the IDA-16 funds; and

18 WHEREAS, the Secretary of Finance and Administration19 subsequently admitted to withholding the proposed alternate

use of IDA-16 funds from the Congress of the Federated States 1 2 of Micronesia during a Congressional oversight hearing; and 3 WHEREAS, the Secretary of Finance and Administration has provided Congress with revenue projections which claim a 4 shortfall of over five million dollars; and 5 6 WHEREAS, the Secretary of Finance and Administration has 7 not adjusted his revenue projection to reflect the shortfall 8 which he claims in his transmission letter; and 9 WHEREAS, the Secretary of Finance and Administration has subsequently admitted that the predicted budget shortfall was 10 due to his conscience decision to withhold reporting of 11 revenues; now, therefore, 12 13 BE IT RESOLVED by the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fifth Regular Session, 2014, that 14 Congress hereby requests the President to request the 15 resignation of the Secretary of Finance and Administration and 16 remove him from all official duties for willfully misleading 17 18 Congress in his official capacity on several occasions. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this 19 20 resolution be transmitted to President of the Federated States 21 of Micronesia. 22 23 Date: <u>9/12/14</u> Introduced by: /s/ Dohsis Halbert 24 Dohsis Halbert 25