## EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FIFTH REGULAR SESSION, 2014

C.R. NO. 18-220

## A RESOLUTION

Urging the President to delay implementation of the Unified Revenue Authority until after all the components of tax reform are in place. 1 WHEREAS, the implementation of the Unified Revenue Authority represents a major transformation for the Federated States of 2 3 Micronesia; and WHEREAS, the Public Law creating the Unified Revenue 4 Authority did not anticipate the current status of tax reform in 5 this nation whereby certain states did not adopt tax reform 6 7 legislation; and 8 WHEREAS, the law relating to the Unified Revenue Authority needs adjustment to function properly; and 9 WHEREAS, Congress has been advised and believes that having 10 two concurrent national tax systems in the Nation is 11 unconstitutional; and 12 WHEREAS, the maintenance of the Gross Revenue Tax would 13 impose a disproportionate burden on those states that enacted the 14 15 VAT; and WHEREAS, there clearly exists the need for hearings and 16 reflective discussion on how to best proceed; and 17 WHEREAS, Congress intends to address these matters in the 18 months ahead; now, therefore, 19 20 BE IT RESOLVED that the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fifth Regular Session, 2014, that Congress 21

1	hereby urges the President to delay implementation of the Unified
2	Revenue Authority until after all the components of tax reform are
3	in place; and
4	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
5	resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States
6	of Micronesia.
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8	Date: <u>10/1/14</u> Introduced by: <u>/s/ Wesley W. Simina</u> Wesley W. Simina
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