A RESOLUTION

Urging the President to reduce maritime operations by two patrol boats.

WHEREAS, the budget of this nation will continue to face pressures from the decrement in Compact funding; and

WHEREAS, this nation spends over $1,500,000 per year on patrol boats; and

WHEREAS, these costs each and every year include $750,000 for slipping, $500,000 for fuel subsidies, $125,000 for patrol boat maintenance, and over $125,000 on salaries for maritime surveillance officers; and

WHEREAS, the current number of patrol boats operating are sometimes dangerously under-manned; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fifth Regular Session, 2014, hereby urges the President to retire two patrol boats from operation as soon as practically possible; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia.

Date: 9/15/14

Introduced by: /s/ Peter M. Christian

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