A RESOLUTION

Commending the Supreme Court of United States for reaffirming equal treatment before the law, a value that is shared by the Federated States of Micronesia, in the recent decision in Obergefell v. Hodges.

WHEREAS, the Preamble of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia lists love as one of four principles that we extend and seek from other counties; and

WHEREAS, Article IV of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia guarantees equal protection of the law; and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia values equal treatment before the law as a keystone to democracy; and

WHEREAS, on June 26, 2015, the Supreme Court of the United States issued its decision in Obergefell v. Hodges that reaffirmed equal treatment before the law; and

WHEREAS, our Nation share the values enunciated by the Supreme Court of the United States in the Obergefell v. Hodges decision which states, “no union is more profound than marriage, for it embodies the highest ideals of love, fidelity, devotion, sacrifice, and family.”; and

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court of the United States’ decision prevents discriminatory treatment of same sex couples to marry
and grants them “equal dignity in the eyes of the law.”; and

WHEREAS, the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States
of Micronesia shares the tradition and values of treating
citizens equal before the law with the United States of America
and would like to commend the U.S. Supreme Court for
reaffirming this important principle; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated
States of Micronesia, First Special Session, 2015, that
Congress hereby commends the Supreme Court of United States for
reaffirming equal treatment before the law in the recent
landmark decision Obergefell v. Hodges; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
resolution be transmitted to President of the Federated States
of Micronesia, and the Supreme Court of the United States.

Date: 7/14/15  Introduced by: /s/ Isaac V. Figir
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