A RESOLUTION

Expressing the sincere condolences and sadness of the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia to the family of the late Secretary of the Department of Health and Social Affairs, Dr. Livingston A. Taulung, at his passing.

WHEREAS, the late Dr. Taulung had a long career in medicine and public health administration which began in 1977 when he graduated from the Community College of Micronesia in Saipan with an A.S. degree in nursing; Dr. Taulung also held a B.S. degree in Biology from Eastern Oregon State College, and a Diploma in Community Health, Surgery & Medicine from the University of Hawaii, School of Medicine in Pohnpei, Medical Officers Program (1992); and

WHEREAS, the late Dr. Taulung worked for four years between 1982 to 1986 as a Health Planner for the Kosrae State Department of Health Services, he completed other medical and public health training at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, Georgia in 1993 and completed advanced trainings and internships regionally in 1995 (Regional Pacific Internship Registration Examination) and 1997 (Rapid Response for Avian & Pandemic Influenza training); and

WHEREAS, the late Dr. Taulung was a staff physician at Kosrae State Hospital from 1997 to 2011 and in April 2011 was confirmed as the Director of Health for the Kosrae State Department of Health and served in that capacity until 2019, during this twenty year
period the late Dr. Taulung was a leader in the Pacific region in
public health participating actively in medical conferences and
training sessions every year, the late Dr. Taulung has the
distinction of authoring five medical papers including studies on
dengue fever, cancer, mosquitoes and tropical medicine and diabetes
and other non-communicable diseases; and

WHEREAS, the late Dr. Taulung was confirmed as the Secretary
of the Department of Health and Social Affairs in September 2019
where he served with distinction until his passing, during his
tenure he promoted reform in public health and dedicated himself to
guiding the Coronavirus Taskforce during the pandemic; and

WHEREAS, for over 30 years the late Dr. Taulung served in
Kosrae State and the National Government of the Federated States of
Micronesia using his expertise in medicine and public health to
protect and enhance the health and safety of the citizens of this
Nation, he was known for his hard work and commitment to improving
our hospitals and healthcare and was a valued colleague and mentor;
and

WHEREAS, the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia
greatly appreciates the tremendous hard work of the late Dr.
Taulung and his many contributions to this Nation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Twenty-First Congress of the Federated
States of Micronesia, Tenth Special Session, 2021, that Congress
hereby expresses its sincere condolences and sadness to the family
of the late Dr. Taulung, and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be sent to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Governor of Kosrae State and the family of the late Dr. Taulung.

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