

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.

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

8 WHEREAS, the late Dr. Taulung worked for four years between
9 1982 to 1986 as a Health Planner for the Kosrae State Department of
10 Health Services, he completed other medical and public health
11 training at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in
12 Atlanta, Georgia in 1993 and completed advanced trainings and
13 internships regionally in 1995 (Regional Pacific Internship
14 Registration Examination) and 1997 (Rapid Response for Avian &
15 Pandemic Influenza training); and

16 WHEREAS, the late Dr. Taulung was a staff physician at Kosrae
17 State Hospital from 1997 to 2011 and in April 2011 was confirmed as
18 the Director of Health for the Kosrae State Department of Health
19 and served in that capacity until 2019, during this twenty year

1 period the late Dr. Taulung was a leader in the Pacific region in
2 public health participating actively in medical conferences and
3 training sessions every year, the late Dr. Taulung has the
4 distinction of authoring five medical papers including studies on
5 dengue fever, cancer, mosquitos and tropical medicine and diabetes
6 and other non-communicable diseases; and

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

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

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

22 BE IT RESOLVED, by the Twenty-First Congress of the Federated
23 States of Micronesia, Tenth Special Session, 2021, that Congress
24 hereby expresses its sincere condolences and sadness to the family
25 of the late Dr. Taulung, and

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution
2 be sent to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, the
3 Governor of Kosrae State and the family of the late Dr. Taulung.
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5 Date: 3/23/21

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