

A RESOLUTION

Expressing the sincere condolences and sadness of the Twenty-Second Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia to the family of the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George, Vice President of the Federated States of Micronesia, at his passing on August 13, 2022.

1           WHEREAS, the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George was born in  
2 Kosrae on July 24, 1941 and showed great discipline and intelligence  
3 at a young age; and

4           WHEREAS, the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George attended the  
5 University of Guam initially but transferred to the University of  
6 Hawaii with a scholarship from the East-West Center where he  
7 graduated with a Bachelor's in Mathematics in 1969; and

8           WHEREAS, the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George went on to have  
9 an extraordinary career in government service spanning over 50  
10 years and became one of the Federated States of Micronesia's most  
11 important leaders culminating with his service as the Vice  
12 President of our Nation; and

13           WHEREAS, the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George began his public  
14 service during the Trust Territory period with the Ponape  
15 Transportation Authority, he served briefly as a classroom teacher  
16 at Kolonia Elementary School and finished his first decade of  
17 service as the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands' Social  
18 Security manager in Saipan; and

19           WHEREAS, the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George's professional  
20 integrity and competence was noted by all who came in contact with  
21 him and this made him a natural choice for government leadership

1 at the time of the founding of our Nation; and

2 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George served as the  
3 first Lieutenant Governor of Kosrae from 1979 to 1980; and

4 WHEREAS, after which the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George was  
5 selected by President Nakayama to become the Director of the  
6 Department of Social Services which oversaw the Nation's  
7 education, health and social services systems and for three years  
8 very competently built the administration and management systems  
9 of this new department; and

10 WHEREAS, the Honorable Yosiwo P. George returned to Kosrae to  
11 successfully run for governor and served as the Governor of Kosrae  
12 from January 1983 to January of 1991, achieving lasting positive  
13 impact for the welfare, health and education of the citizens of  
14 the state through his leadership and demand for quality government  
15 services; and

16 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George was nominated by  
17 President Olter to serve as the Ambassador for the Federated  
18 States of Micronesia to the United Nations in New York, and here  
19 the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George was shown to be a diplomat of  
20 the highest quality and very capable in representing our Nation's  
21 interests in a complex political setting; and

22 WHEREAS, In 1997 the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George was  
23 elected to the Tenth Congress of the Federated States of  
24 Micronesia and served for the first time in our Congress for four  
25 years focusing on health and education issues before being

1 appointed as Chief Justice for the Kosrae State Supreme Court  
2 where he served with distinction until 2006; and

3 WHEREAS, under the administration of President Mori the late  
4 Honorable Yosiwo P. George served first as the Administrator for  
5 the MiCare National Health Insurance Program and later as the  
6 Ambassador to the United States seamlessly moving from one high  
7 level position to another while improving and strengthening the  
8 offices and mentoring new employees; and

9 WHEREAS, in May 2015 the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George was  
10 elected again to the Congress of the Federated States of  
11 Micronesia, and was further honored by being selected as the  
12 eighth Vice President of the Federated States of Micronesia, he  
13 served as Vice President of our Nation until his passing, and  
14 through out his tenure he continued to champion issues especially  
15 related to the health, education and welfare of our people; and

16 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George is remembered by  
17 all those fortunate to have an opportunity to work with him as a  
18 man of the highest integrity, one willing to work until the job  
19 was done, but also as an individual who treated everyone with  
20 dignity and respect, as always leading by example; and

21 WHEREAS, the people of the Federated States of Micronesia  
22 have benefited from the late Honorable Yosiwo P. Goerge's strong  
23 leadership, and his commitment to promoting the development,  
24 growth and protection our Nation; now, therefore,

25 BE IT RESOLVED by the Twenty-Second Congress of the Federated

1 States of Micronesia, Fifth Regular Session, 2022, that Congress  
2 hereby expresses its sincere condolences and sadness to the family  
3 of the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George at his passing on August  
4 13, 2022; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
6 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States  
7 of Micronesia and the family of the late Honorable Yosiwo P.  
8 George.

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10 Date: 9/16/22

Introduced by: /s/ Paliknoa K. Welly  
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