

A RESOLUTION

To request the Office of the National Public Auditor to audit the accounts, books, and other financial records of the Department of Finance and Administration in regards to the \$9,500,454 reserved by the Department of Finance and Administration in Fiscal Year 2019 to cover the potential National Government liability in FSM v. Pacific International, Inc., Civ. Case No. 2014-46, Appeal Case No. P12-2021.

1 WHEREAS, pursuant to section 505 of title 55 of the Code of
2 the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), the Office of
3 the Public Auditor has the duty to inspect and audit
4 transactions, accounts, books, and other financial records of
5 every branch, department, office, agency and board of the
6 National Government; and

7 WHEREAS, pursuant to section 506 of title 55 of the Code of
8 the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), the Office of
9 the Public Auditor has the power to examine and inspect all
10 books, records, files, papers, documents, and all financial
11 affairs of every branch, department, office, agency and board of
12 the National Government; and

13 WHEREAS, in fiscal year 2019, the Department of Finance and
14 Administration reserved and/or booked \$9,500,454 for the
15 purpose of covering the potential liability of the National
16 Government in FSM v. Pacific International, Inc., Civ. Case
17 No. 2014-046; and

18 WHEREAS, the Office of National Public Auditor report on

1 the audit of financial statements for fiscal year 2019
2 reported a Department of Justice litigation expense of
3 \$9,500,454 due to a loss in litigation; now, therefore,

4 BE IT RESOLVED by the Twenty-Second Congress of the
5 Federated States of Micronesia, Sixth Regular Session, 2023,
6 that Congress is requesting the Office of the National Public
7 Auditor to audit the transactions, accounts, books and other
8 financial record of the Department of Finance and
9 Administration from the fiscal year 2019 to present on the
10 \$9,500,454 reserved and/or booked by the Department of Finance
11 and Administration to cover potential National Government
12 liability in FSM v. Pacific International, Inc., Civ. Case No.
13 2014-046, Appeal Case No. P12-2021; and

14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copy of this
15 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated
16 States of Micronesia, the Secretary of the Department of Finance
17 and Administration and the Public Auditor of the Office of the
18 National Public Auditor.

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20 Date: 01/17/23

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