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A RESOLUTION

Respectfully requesting the United Nations Trusteeship Council to support the exercise of self-determination by the people of the Federated States of Micronesia by expeditiously terminating the Trusteeship Agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands upon final approval of the Compact of Free Association by the United States and the Federated States of Micronesia.

1 WHEREAS, the United States has administered the islands of
2 Micronesia since the close of World War II under a Trusteeship Agreement
3 with the United Nations; and

4 WHEREAS, during this time the inhabitants of Micronesia have,
5 by democratic means, established their own political institutions and
6 Governments, and negotiated a future political status agreement with
7 the United States known as the Compact of Free Association; and

8 WHEREAS, through an elaborate and democratic process, the Compact
9 of Free Association was approved by the Federated States of Micronesia
10 through a National plebiscite, and the approval of three out of four
11 State legislatures and the National Congress; and

12 WHEREAS, the Compact of Free Association is now pending before the
13 U.S. Congress, where numerous unilateral amendments have been proposed
14 to the agreement; and

15 WHEREAS, although the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia
16 has strong reservations about several of the proposed U.S. congressional
17 amendments to the Compact of Free Association, it is the sense of the
18 Congress that there is still the possibility that a mutually acceptable
19 version of the Compact of Free Association will ultimately and soon
20 be approved by the United States and the Federated States of Micro-
21 nesia; and

22 WHEREAS, in recognition of this possibility, the Congress of the
23 Federated States of Micronesia believes this is an appropriate time to
24 seek the support of the United Nations Trusteeship Council, which in the
25 past has strongly supported Micronesians' efforts to exercise their inherent

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1 right to self-determination; now, therefore,

2 BE IT RESOLVED by the Fourth Congress of the Federated States of
3 Micronesia, First Special Session, 1985, that the Congress hereby
4 respectfully requests the United Nations Trusteeship Council to support
5 the exercise of self-determination by the people of the Federated States
6 of Micronesia by expeditiously terminating the Trusteeship Agreement for
7 the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands upon final approval of the
8 Compact of Free Association by the United States and the Federated
9 States of Micronesia; and

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution
11 be transmitted to each of the members of the Trusteeship Council, and
12 to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia.

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