
A RESOLUTION

Expressing deepest sympathy and sincerest condolences to the family and friends of the late Lieutenant Governor Strik Yoma and to the people of the State of Ponape and the entire Federated States of Micronesia for his untimely passing.

1 WHEREAS, on the weekend of September 1-2, 1984, the Honorable
2 Strik Yoma, Micronesian statesman and Lieutenant Governor of the State
3 of Ponape, passed away in Honolulu, Hawaii, at the age of 47 years; and

4 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Strik Yoma evidenced his exceptional
5 abilities early in life, beginning his distinguished career in public
6 service as a teacher at the Ponape Intermediate School in 1957, and later
7 serving as assistant principal of said school prior to attending college;
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9 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Strik Yoma was among the first Trust
10 Territory citizens to study abroad and acquire a college degree; and

11 WHEREAS, during the late Honorable Strik Yoma's studies at the Guam
12 Territorial College and the University of Hawaii, he was known to his
13 friends, classmates, and teachers as an outstanding and exemplary
14 student; and

15 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Strik Yoma served as Chief Clerk of the
16 Senate of the First Congress of Micronesia; and

17 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Strik Yoma served as an assistant political
18 affairs officer and assistant public affairs officer for the Trust Territory
19 Government before his historical appointment in 1972, when he was named
20 Director of the Trust Territory Department of Public Affairs, thereby
21 becoming the first Micronesian to be appointed to such a high position in
22 the Trust Territory Government; and

23 WHEREAS, during his distinguished tenure with the Trust Territory
24 Government, the late Honorable Strik Yoma made invaluable contributions
25 to the political and social development of the Micronesian people; and

1 WHEREAS, in 1978, the late Honorable Strik Yoma returned to his home
2 State of Ponape to serve as special assistant to the Acting Governor,
3 and later as Acting Lieutenant Governor; and

4 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Strik Yoma was a founding father of
5 constitutional government for his people, serving with great distinction
6 as a delegate to both the Micronesian and Ponape State Constitutional
7 Conventions; and

8 WHEREAS, in 1979, the late Honorable Strik Yoma became the first
9 popularly elected Lieutenant Governor of the State of Ponape, a position
10 to which he was re-elected for a second term in 1983; and

11 WHEREAS, at the time of his untimely death, the late Honorable
12 Strik Yoma was the chairman of the Board of Directors of the Ponape
13 Transportation Authority and chairman of the Planning Committee of the
14 State Constitution Public Information Program, as well as serving on the
15 Board of Regents of the College of Micronesia; and

16 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Strik Yoma was well-known by leaders
17 throughout the Pacific for his untiring efforts to promote friendship,
18 cooperation, and mutual understanding among the peoples of the region; and

19 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Strik Yoma was well-known and much
20 admired throughout his illustrious career by the people of Ponape and
21 Micronesia for his commitment and dedication to their advancement; and

22 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Strik Yoma commands the highest praise and
23 respect for the noble and unselfish public service to which he devoted his
24 professional life; and

25 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Strik Yoma's untimely death has bereaved

1 his family, his friends, and all those who knew him; and

2 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Strik Yoma will be sorely missed by all
3 whose lives were touched by his warmth, generosity, and dedication to
4 the highest ideals of mankind; and

5 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Strik Yoma is survived by his wife,
6 Sizue Yoma; two sons, Norton and Manuel; three daughters, Melina, Neong,
7 and Esuroi; and a brother, Fred Yoma; and

8 WHEREAS, the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia joins his
9 family, friends, and the people of the State of Ponape and the Federated
10 States of Micronesia in mourning the death of the late Honorable Strik
11 Yoma; now, therefore,

12 BE IT RESOLVED by the Third Congress of the Federated States of
13 Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session, 1984, that the Congress hereby
14 expresses its deepest sympathy and extends its sincerest condolences to the
15 family and friends of the late Honorable Strik Yoma and to the people of
16 the State of Ponape and the entire Federated States of Micronesia for his
17 untimely passing; and

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be
19 transmitted to the family of the late Honorable Strik Yoma, the Governor
20 of the State of Ponape, the Chief Justice of the State of Ponape, the
21 Speaker of the Ponape State Legislature, the paramount traditional leaders
22 of the State of Ponape, the chief executive of each municipality and town

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1 of the State of Ponape, the President of the Federated States of
2 Micronesia, and the High Commissioner of the Trust Territory of the
3 Pacific Islands.

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5 Date: 10/11/84

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