

A RESOLUTION

To rescind certain reservations to the United Nations Convention on the Elimination of all Forms of Discrimination Against Women ("CEDAW").

1 WHEREAS, in 2003 the 13th FSM Congress of the Federated
2 States of Micronesia (FSM) ratified the Convention on the
3 Elimination of all forms of Discrimination through the adoption
4 of Congressional Resolution No. 13-03; and

5 WHEREAS, the reservations to the CEDAW Convention
6 reflected the position of the FSM Government then, existing at
7 the time of the ratification; and

8 WHEREAS, since then the Congress has steadfastly supported
9 the principles of equal protection and human dignity; and

10 WHEREAS, the FSM has made a lot of progress on the
11 implementation of the CEDAW Convention, including the passing
12 of laws on maternity leave for women in both the national and
13 state governments; and

14 WHEREAS, it is the sense of the FSM Congress that reservations
15 to the CEDAW Convention are no longer necessary; now,
16 therefore,

17 BE IT RESOLVED by the Twenty-Fourth Congress of the
18 Federated States of Micronesia, Third Special Session, 2026,
19 that Congress hereby rescinds the reservation to the
20 ratification of the CEDAW Convention; and

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the
2 Department of Foreign Affairs notify the depository of the
3 CEDAW Convention of this rescission of FSM's reservations to
4 the CEDAW Convention; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
6 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated
7 States of Micronesia, the Secretary of the Department of
8 Foreign Affairs, and the Secretary of the Department of Health
9 and Social Affairs.

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11 Date: 7/6/26

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