

A RESOLUTION

Requesting the President to remove the National Election Commissioner in Chuuk from her position and relieve her of all official duties due to an admitted conflict of interest as her husband is running for a two-year Congressional seat in Chuuk election district 3 in the March 2, 2027, national election.

1 WHEREAS, on July 29, 2026, the Chuuk national election
2 commissioner acknowledged in a letter to the National Election
3 Director that her husband is running for a two-year seat in FSM
4 Congress for Chuuk election district 3; and

5 WHEREAS, Title 9, Section 304(e) of the 2014 FSM Code
6 (Annotated) prohibits national election officials from
7 participating or appearing to participate in political activities;
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Title 9, Section 304(h) of the 2014 FSM Code
10 (Annotated) requires national election officials to act
11 impartially in the decision-making process and declare any
12 conflicts of interest; and

13 WHEREAS, Title 9, Section 302(2) (b) of the 2014 FSM Code
14 (Annotated) allows the President to remove a national election
15 commissioner for cause; and

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17 (Annotated) allows the President to remove a national election
18 commissioner for cause; and

1 WHEREAS, on August 17, 2026, the FSM Department of Justice
2 issued a legal opinion stating that the National Election
3 Commissioner in Chuuk should not participate in the national
4 election in Chuuk; and

5 WHEREAS, the FSM Department of Justice's legal opinion states
6 that the National Election Commissioner in Chuuk, if allowed to
7 participate in the national election, could be subjected to
8 criminal liability under Title 11, Section 512 of the 2014 FSM
9 Code (Annotated); now, therefore,

10 BE IT RESOLVED by the Twenty-Fourth Congress of the Federated
11 States of Micronesia, Fifth Regular Session, 2026, that Congress
12 hereby requests the President to remove the National Election
13 Commissioner in Chuuk from her position and relieve her of all
14 official duties due to an admitted conflict of interest as her
15 husband is running for a two-year Congressional seat in Chuuk
16 election district 3 in the March 2, 2027, national election.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
18 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States
19 of Micronesia, the FSM National Election Director, and the Chuuk
20 National Election Commissioner.

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22 Date: 9/21/26

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