

A RESOLUTION

Expressing the concern of the members of the First Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia that the application of the Federal Water Pollution Prevention and Control Act, 33 U.S.C.A. § 1251 et seq. to dredge and fill activities in the Federated States of Micronesia creates an unnecessary environmental safeguard and serves as an obstacle to economic development.

1           WHEREAS, the Federal Water Pollution Prevention and Control Act is  
2 made specifically applicable to the Federated States of Micronesia pursuant  
3 to 33 U.S.C.A. § 1251 et seq; and

4           WHEREAS, as pertains to dredge and fill activities, this federal law  
5 duplicates laws already in existence in the Federated States of Micronesia  
6 (63 T.T.C. § 503 et seq.), and only serves as an additional bureaucratic  
7 obstacle to economic activity; and

8           WHEREAS, economic development is of primary importance to the  
9 Federated States of Micronesia because of its economic dependence upon the  
10 United States, and the application of this federal law only serves to  
11 retard efforts toward economic development; now, therefore,

12           BE IT RESOLVED by the First Congress of the Federated States of  
13 Micronesia, Second Special Session, 1980, that the Congress hereby expresses  
14 its concern that the application of the Federal Water Pollution Prevention  
15 and Control Act to dredge and fill activities in the Federated States of  
16 Micronesia is an unnecessary environmental safeguard involving bothersome  
17 bureaucratic delays, and is an obstacle to economic development; and

18           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the United States Government is hereby  
19 requested to exempt dredge and fill activities in the Federated States of  
20 Micronesia, from the requirements of the Federal Water Pollution Prevention  
21 and Control Act; and

22           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be

1 transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia so that  
2 it can be transmitted to the United States Government.

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4 Adopted: February 7, 1980

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