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EIGHTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FIRST REGULAR SESSION, 1993

c. r. no. 8-1

## A RESOLUTION

To ratify the Articles of Agreement establishing the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

- 1 WHEREAS, the Federated States of Micronesia is a member of
- 2 the United Nations, and one of its responsibilities is to
- 3 protect its member countries from any adverse effect of climate
- 4 change in the world; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the change in the Earth's climate and its adverse
- 6 effects are a common concern of humankind; and
- 7 WHEREAS, human activities have been substantially increasing
- 8 the atmospheric concentrations of greenhouse gases, which
- 9 enhances the natural greenhouse effect and results in an
- 10 additional warming of the Earth's surface and atmosphere and may
- 11 adversely affect natural ecosystems and humankind; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the global nature of climate change calls for the
- 13 widest possible cooperation by all countries; and
- 14 WHEREAS, low-lying and other small island countries,
- 15 countries with low-lying coastal, arid and semi-arid areas
- 16 liable to floods, drought and desertification, and developing
- 17 countries with fragile mountainous ecosystems are particularly
- 18 vulnerable to the adverse effects of climate change; and
- 19 WHEREAS, a meeting of many nations was held in Rio De
- 20 Janeiro in June of 1992 to discuss global environmental issues;
- 21 and
- 22 WHEREAS, every nation but one attending that meeting signed
- 23 the Articles of Agreement establishing the Convention; and
- 24 WHEREAS, the President of the Federated States of Micronesia
- 25 signed the Articles of Agreement establishing the Convention on

- 1 June 12, 1992; and
- 2 WHEREAS, the objective of the Convention is to achieve
- 3 stabilization of greenhouse gas concentrations in the atmosphere
- 4 at a level that would prevent dangerous anthropogenic
- 5 interference with the climate system; and
- 6 WHEREAS, the developed country Parties may provide, and
- 7 developing country Parties may avail themselves of, financial
- 8 resources related to the implementation of the Convention
- 9 through bilateral, regional and other multilateral channels;
- 10 now, therefore,
- 11 BE IT RESOLVED by the Eighth Congress of the Federated
- 12 States of Micronesia, First Regular Session, 1993, that pursuant
- 13 to section 2(b) of article IX of the Constitution of the
- 14 Federated States of Micronesia the Congress hereby ratifies the
- 15 Articles of Agreement of the Framework Convention on Climate
- 16 Change; and
- 17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon receipt of this resolution
- 18 the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or the
- 19 Secretary of External Affairs shall lodge with the Secretary-
- 20 General of the United Nations, as depositary, an instrument of
- 21 accession; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia. Introduced by: request)