A RESOLUTION

Citing the owner and operator of the USS San Francisco.

WHEREAS, on January 8, 2005, the United States nuclear-powered submarine USS San Francisco was involved in an underwater collision in the waters of the Federated States of Micronesia; and

WHEREAS, (a) the USS San Francisco, at the time of the collision, was travelling at a speed in excess of the speed limit; (b) was travelling without lights and sonar; and (c) and was operating without regard to available road maps; and

WHEREAS, the USS San Francisco left the scene of the accident without reporting to the government of the FSM regarding the occurrence of the accident or any damage done to the underwater terrain of the FSM, and without providing proof of current third-party insurance coverage; and

WHEREAS, the risks of such a collision happening again can be greatly reduced if nuclear-powered vessels are permitted to operate in the waters of the FSM only with the services of a qualified pilot; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Thirteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Seventh Special Session, 2005, that the owner and operator of the USS San Francisco is hereby cited with the following traffic offenses: (a) negligent driving, (b)
reckless endangerment to persons and property, (c) faulty safety check, (d) leaving the scene of an accident, and (e) expired liability insurance;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Governor of each State, and the United States Ambassador to the Federated States of Micronesia.

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