## A RESOLUTION

Calling upon the President and the FSM Public Auditor to initiate an audit into the use of Compact funds by the State of Kosrae.

- 1 WHEREAS, the national government of the Federated States of
- 2 Micronesia has received an initial request from the State of
- 3 Kosrae for financial assistance in an amount of \$2,853,962; and
- 4 WHEREAS, a supplemental budget request was thereafter
- 5 received by the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia
- 6 from the office of the President for the purpose of funding a
- 7 recovery loan to the State of Kosrae in the amount of \$1,495,307;
- 8 and
- 9 WHEREAS, a stated purpose for a portion of the requested loan
- 10 in excess of one million dollars is the repayment of Compact funds
- 11 allegedly misappropriated or misused by Kosrae; and
- 12 WHEREAS, a satisfactory explanation of the circumstances of
- 13 the use of Compact funds by the State of Kosrae for purposes other
- 14 than intended by the sector grants and the other causes of its
- 15 current financial crisis has not been provided; and
- 16 WHEREAS, Congress recognizes that the extreme nature of the
- 17 financial crisis faced by the State of Kosrae as represented by
- 18 the President's request requires immediate action to prevent
- 19 further deterioration of the financial condition of the State; and
- 20 WHEREAS, in deference to the request of the President and
- 21 the immediate nature of the need, Congress has included funding in

- 1 the amount of \$1,500,000 in C.B. No. 262 to be used for a recovery
- 2 loan by the national government of the FSM to the State of Kosrae;
- 3 and
- 4 WHEREAS, Congress believes an audit of the expenditures by
- 5 Compact funds by the State of Kosrae and a review of the financial
- 6 policies, practices and procedures of Kosrae State and its public
- 7 officials, officers and employees in authorizing or permitting the
- 8 expenditures for purposes other than intended by the grants is
- 9 essential to an understanding of the origins of the financial
- 10 crisis in Kosrae and preventing future uses of Compact funds for
- 11 unauthorized purposes by the State of Kosrae and the other states
- 12 of the FSM and in determining if criminal conduct on the part of
- 13 one or more public officials occurred.
- NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Fourteenth Congress of
- 15 the Federated States of Micronesia calls upon the President and
- 16 the FSM Public Auditor to immediately initiate a comprehensive
- 17 audit of the expenditure of Compact funds by the State of Kosrae
- 18 and further to conduct a review of the policies, practices and
- 19 procedures of Kosrae State and its government officials, officers
- 20 and employees which authorized or permitted the expenditure of
- 21 Compact funds for purposes other than intended by the grants in a
- 22 cumulative amount in excess of one million dollars.
- 23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the President direct the
- 24 Department of Justice to further investigate whether violations of
- 25 the criminal laws of the FSM on the part of individual officers,

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1 officials or employees occurred in connection with the misuse of
 2 such funds.
         BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 4 Resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States
 5 of Micronesia, the FSM Public Auditor, the Governor of the State
 6 of Kosrae and the Speaker of the Kosrae Legislature.
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8 Date: <u>3/30/07</u>
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