A RESOLUTION

To approve the agreement and the acceptance and receipt of the sum of US$50,000 donated by the People’s Republic of China to the FSM for the 19th South Pacific Regional Environment Program (SPREP) meeting held in the State of Pohnpei, FSM, September 4 to 12, 2008.

WHEREAS, the Federated States of Micronesia is hosting the 19th South Pacific Regional Environment Program (SPREP) meeting held in the State of Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia from September 4 to 12, 2008; and

WHEREAS, hosting of the SPREP requires meticulous advanced planning and preparation and a substantial amount of funding; the People’s Republic of China recognizes the definite need for financial assistance to the Federated States of Micronesia in its role as the host of the 19th South Pacific Regional Environment Program; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the good friendly relationship between the Federated States of Micronesia and the People’s Republic of China in their mutual efforts to address their common environmental concerns and their mutual needs to meet the common challenges arising from or connected with the serious global climate change issues, the People’s Republic of China generously contributed the sum of US$50,000 grant to the FSM to assist the FSM in hosting the 19th South Pacific Regional Environment Program meeting; and

WHEREAS, in tendering the US$50,000 grant to the FSM, the People’s Republic of China took the opportunity reiterate and
emphasize the “One China Principle” in an effort to urge that no formal document or resolution be passed during the SPREP meeting that will violate that principle; and

WHEREAS, the Congress welcomes the generous contribution to the FSM from the People’s Republic of China and approved the agreement and the acceptance and receipt of the said US$50,000 grant; now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Fifteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fifth Regular Session, 2008, that the agreement and the acceptance and receipt by the FSM of the US$50,000 grant from the People’s Republic of China be, and the same hereby is, approved; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia and the Secretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs.

Date: 9/16/08

Introduced by: /s/ Resio S. Moses (for)

Joe N. Suka
(by request)