## A RESOLUTION

Ratifying the Amendment to the Nauru Agreement agreed to by the Parties at the Twenty-ninth Annual Meeting of the Parties to the Nauru Agreement on April 22, 2010.

- 1 WHEREAS, the Federated States of Micronesia is a party to the
- 2 Nauru Agreement Concerning Cooperation in the Management of
- 3 Fisheries of Common Interest, hereafter referred to as the "Nauru
- 4 Agreement"; and
- 5 WHEREAS, at the Twenty-ninth Annual Meeting of the Parties to
- 6 the Nauru Agreement in April 2010, in Majuro, Republic of the
- 7 Marshall Islands, the Parties approved an amendment to the Nauru
- 8 Agreement (the "Amendment"); and
- 9 WHEREAS, the Amendment establishes the Parties to the Nauru
- 10 Agreement Office (PNA Office), to be headquartered in Majuro,
- 11 consistent with the Parties' Bikenibeu Declaration on October 21,
- 12 2009, and the Koror Declaration on February 25, 2010; and
- 13 WHEREAS, the PNA Office is vested with a legal personality
- 14 imbued with certain rights, privileges and immunities as may be
- 15 determined by agreement between the PNA Office and the host
- 16 country which is the Republic of the Marshall Islands, and with
- 17 such other legal capacities, including, a right to contract, to
- 18 sue, and to acquire and dispose of properties; and
- 19 WHEREAS, the PNA Office shall have a Director, and such other
- 20 staff, as may be appointed or approved by the Parties; and
- 21 WHEREAS, the PNA Office is vested with the function to

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support the Parties to, inter alia, develop and coordinate
   commercial programmes and activities, develop strategic fisheries
   conservation and management initiatives, and administer PNA
   management initiatives on behalf of the Parties, should they so
   decide; now, therefore,
        BE IT RESOLVED by the Sixteenth Congress of the Federated
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   States of Micronesia, Fifth Regular Session, 2010, that the
   Amendment to the Nauru Agreement approved at the Twenty-ninth
   Annual Meeting of the Parties to the Nauru Agreement on April 22,
   2010, is hereby ratified; and
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        BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that the President is hereby encouraged
   to take such steps as are necessary or required to register the
   ratification by the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia
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   as expressed in this resolution to the appropriate depository; and
        BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
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   resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States
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   Date: 9/13/10
                              Introduced by: /s/ Joe N. Suka
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