

A RESOLUTION

Commending the Legislature of Kosrae State for introducing legislation requiring registration of, and conditions of supervision for, convicted criminals who have been deported to Kosrae from foreign jurisdictions; requesting the Legislatures of Chuuk, Pohnpei, and Yap States to consider introducing similar legislation; and urging all States to consider passing the aforementioned legislation in an expeditious manner in the interest of public safety and security.

1           WHEREAS, under the Compact of Free Association, citizens of  
2 the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) may be granted an  
3 unlimited length of stay in the United States as nonimmigrants  
4 without visas; and

5           WHEREAS, there are circumstances whereby an FSM citizen is  
6 deported from the United States, including instances where a  
7 citizen has one or more felony convictions; and

8           WHEREAS, examples of felony convictions leading to  
9 deportation of FSM citizens include burglary, possession of  
10 weapons, assault, rape, kidnapping, sexual conduct with a minor,  
11 child abuse, manslaughter, and homicide; and

12           WHEREAS, there is currently no system in place to account  
13 for and supervise FSM citizens who have been deported from the  
14 United States or any foreign jurisdiction for criminal activity  
15 upon their arrival in the Federated States of Micronesia; and

16           WHEREAS, there have been recent instances of FSM citizens  
17 who have been deported from the United States committing violent  
18 crimes upon their return to the Federated States of Micronesia;  
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1           WHEREAS, the United States, under a recently improved  
2 communication policy, notifies the Department of Foreign Affairs,  
3 the National Police, and the relevant State Governors and law  
4 enforcement officials when an FSM citizen deported from the United  
5 States is scheduled to arrive in the Federated States of  
6 Micronesia; and

7           WHEREAS, the Kosrae State Legislature has shown notable  
8 initiative and leadership by introducing legislation that would  
9 require, among other things, an FSM citizen who has been deported  
10 from a foreign jurisdiction as a result of a criminal conviction,  
11 or as an agreed resolution to pending criminal charges, to  
12 register with the Kosrae Police Department within seventy-two  
13 hours of arriving in Kosrae, and creates a process whereby the  
14 Kosrae State Court may impose supervision conditions or conditions  
15 of probation on the deportee; and

16           WHEREAS, having a system in place to register, monitor and  
17 supervise FSM citizens who have been deported from foreign  
18 countries due to criminal activities is crucial to the public  
19 safety and security of the Federated States of Micronesia; and

20           WHEREAS, such a system is best implemented and managed by  
21 the individual States of the Federated States of Micronesia; now,  
22 therefore,

23           BE IT RESOLVED by the Sixteenth Congress of the Federated  
24 States of Micronesia, Fourth Special Session, 2010, that Congress  
25 commends the Legislature of Kosrae State for introducing

1 legislation that require the registration of FSM citizens who have  
2 been deported from foreign countries due to criminal activities,  
3 and that creates a process by which a deportee may be monitored  
4 and supervised by the appropriate authorities; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Congress respectfully requests  
6 the Legislatures of Chuuk, Pohnpei and Yap States to consider  
7 introducing similar legislation in their respective States; and

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Congress respectfully urges all  
9 States to consider passing the aforementioned legislation in an  
10 expeditious manner in the interest of public safety and security;  
11 and

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
13 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States  
14 of Micronesia and to the Governors and Legislatures of each State.

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16 Date: 5/26/10

Introduced by: /s/ Roger Mori

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