A RESOLUTION

Expressing the sadness and condolences of the Sixteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia at the passing of former Congressman of the Federated States of Micronesia and first elected Governor Chuuk State, the Honorable Sasao H. Gouland.

WHEREAS, the late Honorable Sasao H. Gouland was born on June 2, 1933 on Moen, Chuuk and was 77 years old at the time of his passing on March 6, 2011 in Honolulu, Hawaii; and

WHEREAS, the late Honorable Sasao H. Gouland attended primary school in Chuuk State, and completed his secondary education at Pacific Islands Central School (PICS) in Pohnpei State; and

WHEREAS, the late Honorable Sasao H. Gouland continued his educational endeavors at the Fiji School of Medicine and, upon completion, returned to Chuuk State to serve as a dental practitioner, and then as the Director of Dental Services before beginning his political career in 1968; and

WHEREAS, the late Honorable Sasao H. Gouland spent a lifetime in public service to the people of the Federated States of Micronesia; notably, as a Member of the Congress of Micronesia from 1967 to 1978, during the Government of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands; as a Delegate to the Micronesian Constitutional Convention of 1977; as a Member of the First, Second and Third Congresses of the Federated States of Micronesia representing Chuuk State Election District Two;
1 as Special Advisor to the Governor of Chuuk on Health Services
2 from April 1985 until May 1986; and as the first elected
3 Governor of Chuuk State under the Chuuk State Constitution from
4 1986 to 1990; and
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6 WHEREAS, after retiring from public office, the late
7 Honorable Sasao H. Gouland continued to serve the people of the
8 Federated States of Micronesia through his involvement in
9 various boards and councils, including as Chairman of the Board
10 of the Micronesian Maritime Authority, and the Board of the
11 Truk Trading Company; and
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13 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Sasao H. Gouland was
14 appointed to the Board of Directors of the FSM
15 Telecommunications Corporation in November 2005, serving as
16 Vice-Chairman from December 2008 to December 2009; and
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18 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Sasao H. Gouland was
19 reappointed to the FSM Telecommunications Board in 2010 and
20 served as the Chairman until his untimely passing; and
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22 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Sasao H. Gouland was a highly
23 distinguished and respected leader of the Chuuk State
24 Government, and a compassionate servant of his people; and
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26 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Sasao H. Gouland is survived
27 by his wife Yurie Gouland, and their children, grandchildren,
28 and great-grandchildren; and
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30 WHEREAS, the people of Chuuk and the Federated States of
31 Micronesia will miss him and mourn and grieve his untimely
BE IT RESOLVED by the Sixteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Sixth Special Session, 2011, that the Congress expresses its recognition and appreciation for the lifetime of service to his country of the late Honorable Sasao H. Gouland; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Congress wishes to express to the family, friends and colleagues of the late Honorable Sasao H. Gouland its sadness and condolences at his passing and join in their mourning; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Governor of the State of Chuuk, and the family of the late Honorable Sasao H. Gouland.

Date: 3/22/11

Introduced by: /s/ Roger S. Mori

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