A RESOLUTION

Expressing the sadness and condolences of the Seventeenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia at the passing of Jon M. Van Dyke, Professor of Law, University of Hawaii.

- 1 WHEREAS, Jon M. Van Dyke passed away suddenly on
- 2 November 29, 2011 while traveling to North Wollangong, New
- 3 South Wales, Australia to attend a conference; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Jon M. Van Dyke graduated from Harvard Law
- 5 School in 1967 and was a distinguished lawyer and law
- 6 professor for over fourty years; and
- WHEREAS, Jon M. Van Dyke taught law at the Catholic
- 8 University Law School in Washington, D.C. from 1967 to 1969,
- 9 at the Hastings College of Law, University of California, San
- 10 Francisco from 1971 to 1976 and at the University of Hawaii
- 11 Law School from 1976 to 2011; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Jon M. Van Dyke was a devoted and passionate
- 13 advocate for the rights of Native Hawaiians and Pacific
- 14 Islanders, a leading authority on constitutional law, human
- 15 rights and environmental ocean law, a tireless defender of
- 16 public lands and natural resources and the author of six
- 17 books and numerous articles on these subjects; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Jon M. Van Dyke stood for what was just and
- 19 right in protecting natural, cultural and historic resources,
- 20 and participated in many projects related to public lands and

- 1 natural resources; and
- 2 WHEREAS, Jon M. Van Dyke served as a personal mentor to
- 3 every law student from the Federated States of Micronesia
- 4 during his tenure at the University of Hawaii Law School and
- 5 has been an inspiration for generations of students and our
- 6 Nation; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Jon M. Van Dyke is survived by his children
- 8 Jesse, Eric and Michelle and his wife Sherry Broder; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the Members of the Seventeenth Congress of the
- 10 Federated States of Micronesia join the family, friends, and
- 11 colleagues of Jon M. Van Dyke in mourning his passing; now,
- 12 therefore,
- 13 BE IT RESOLVED that the Seventeenth Congress of the
- 14 Federated States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2012,
- 15 wishes to express to the family, friends and colleagues of
- 16 the late Jon M. Van Dyke its sadness and condolences at his
- 17 passing; and
- 18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
- 19 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated
- 20 States of Micronesia, Governor of each State of the Nation,
- 21 the Presiding Officer of each of the State Legislatures of
- 22 the Nation and Jon M. Yan Dyke's family.

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24 Date: 1/20/12 Introduced by: /s/ Wesley W. Simina Wesley W. Simina

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