A RESOLUTION

Congratulating Tommy Remengesau Jr. on his election to a third term as President of the Republic of Palau.

- 1 WHEREAS, on November 6, 2012, Tommy Remengesau Jr. was
- 2 elected as President of the Republic of Palau; and
- 3 WHEREAS, President-elect Remengesau previously served two
- 4 consecutive terms as President of Palau from 2001 to 2008; and
- 5 WHEREAS, during his prior term, President-elect Remengesau
- 6 worked to conserve the environment and improve the quality of life
- 7 in all of Micronesia, and in particular initiated the Micronesia
- 8 Challenge, bringing together the Republic of Palau, the Federated
- 9 States of Micronesia, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the
- 10 U.S. Territory of Guam and the Commonwealth of the Northern
- 11 Mariana Islands, to commit to conserve at least 30 percent of the
- 12 near-shore marine resources and 20 percent of the terrestrial
- 13 resources across Micronesia by 2020; and
- 14 WHEREAS, the Federated States of Micronesia looks forward to
- 15 continuing to work in partnership with Palau during President-
- 16 elect Remengesau's third term; now, therefore
- 17 BE IT RESOLVED by the Seventeenth Congress of the Federated
- 18 States of Micronesia, Fourth Special Session, 2012, that Congress
- 19 hereby expresses its sincere congratulations to President-elect
- 20 Remengesau; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
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 2 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States
3 of Micronesia and to the Secretary of Foreign Affairs.
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 5 Date: <u>11/20/12</u>
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