A RESOLUTION

Requesting the President of the Federated States of Micronesia to create a working group to assess the feasibility and possible benefits of amending the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia to institute a parliamentary system of government similar to that of the Marshall Islands.

- 1 WHEREAS, our current system of government does not require
- 2 that the principal officers of executive departments be appointed
- 3 from among the Members of the Congress; and
- 4 WHEREAS, other nations, notably the Republic of the Marshall
- 5 Islands, enjoy a parliamentary system of government whereby
- 6 ministers are appointed from among serving members of the
- 7 legislature; and
- 8 WHEREAS, such a system could permit Members of the Congress
- 9 to maintain a more active role in the overall operations of
- 10 government and thus create efficiencies; now, therefore,
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Seventeenth Congress of the Federated
- 12 States of Micronesia, Sixth Regular Session, 2013, that the
- 13 Congress hereby requests the President of the Federated States of
- 14 Micronesia to create a working group to assess the feasibility and
- 15 possible benefits of amending the Constitution of the Federated
- 16 States of Micronesia to institute a parliamentary system of
- 17 government similar to that of the Marshall Islands; and

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        BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
 3 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States
4 of Micronesia.
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6 Date: 1/11/13 Introduced by: /s/ Tony H. Otto
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