A RESOLUTION

Expressing the sadness and condolences of the Seventeenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia at the passing of Daniel K. Inouye, United States Senator for the State of Hawaii.

WHEREAS, the late Daniel K. Inouye passed away on December 17, 2012, at the age of 88; and

WHEREAS, at the time of his passing Daniel K. Inouye was United States Senator for the State of Hawaii, a position he had held since 1962, and President pro tempore of the United States Senate; and

WHEREAS, Senator Inouye served with great distinction in the United States Army in the Second World War before embarking on his career as a public servant, and was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross, the Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart, and the nation’s highest military award for valor, the Medal of Honor; and

WHEREAS, Senator Inouye was the first Japanese-American to be elected to the United States Congress in 1959, and became the second longest-serving member of the United States Senate in the nation’s history; and

WHEREAS, Senator Inouye was a strong advocate for the people of Hawaii, a pioneer for all Asian and Pacific Americans, and a key supporter of the emerging freely associated states of Micronesia, including the Federated States of Micronesia, and
was respected throughout the Pacific region for his leadership; and

WHEREAS, the Members of the Seventeenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia join the family, friends and colleagues of Senator Inouye in mourning his passing; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Seventeenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Sixth Regular Session, 2013, wishes to express to the family, friends and colleagues of the late Daniel K. Inouye its sadness and condolences at his passing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of the resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, the United States Ambassador to the Federated States of Micronesia, and Senator Inouye’s widow, Irene Y. Hirano.

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