A RESOLUTION

To express the concern of the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia over the fate of eleven members of parliament in Eritrea imprisoned since 2001.

- 1 WHEREAS, eleven members of parliament in Eritrea have
- 2 been imprisoned without formal charges since 2001; and
- 3 WHEREAS, it appears that they were arrested following
- 4 the publication of a letter calling for the implementation
- 5 of the national constitution; and
- 6 WHEREAS, they are being held in a maximum security
- 7 prison, and have not been seen or heard from since being
- 8 imprisoned; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the Congress wishes that the parties
- 10 responsible for the imprisonment of the parliamentarians
- 11 fully respect their human rights; now, therefore,
- BE IT RESOLVED by the Eighteenth Congress of the
- 13 Federated States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2014,
- 14 that Congress expresses its concern over the fate of the
- 15 eleven members of parliament imprisoned since 2001 in
- 16 Eritrea; and

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          BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
     resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated
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     States of Micronesia, the Secretary of the Department of
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     Foreign Affair, the Permanent Representative of the FSM to
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     the United Nations, and the Executive Director of the Inter
     Parliamentary Union.
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   Date: <u>1/22/14</u>
                    Introduced by: <u>/s/ Yosiwo P. George</u>
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