A RESOLUTION

Urging the President to delay implementation of the Unified Revenue Authority until after all the components of tax reform are in place.

1. WHEREAS, the implementation of the Unified Revenue Authority represents a major transformation for the Federated States of Micronesia; and

2. WHEREAS, the Public Law creating the Unified Revenue Authority did not anticipate the current status of tax reform in this nation whereby certain states did not adopt tax reform legislation; and

3. WHEREAS, the law relating to the Unified Revenue Authority needs adjustment to function properly; and

4. WHEREAS, Congress has been advised and believes that having two concurrent national tax systems in the Nation is unconstitutional; and

5. WHEREAS, the maintenance of the Gross Revenue Tax would impose a disproportionate burden on those states that enacted the VAT; and

6. WHEREAS, there clearly exists the need for hearings and reflective discussion on how to best proceed; and

7. WHEREAS, Congress intends to address these matters in the months ahead; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED that the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fifth Regular Session, 2014, that Congress
hereby urges the President to delay implementation of the Unified Revenue Authority until after all the components of tax reform are in place; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia.

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