C.R. NO. 19-134

A RESOLUTION

Expressing the sadness and condolences of the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia at the passing of Mr. William Charles Raynor, and further conveying the sympathy of the Nineteenth Congress to the family of the late Mr. William Charles Raynor.

- 1 WHEREAS, on September 1, 2015, Mr. William Charles
- 2 Raynor was called to his eternal rest; and
- 3 WHEREAS, the late William Charles Raynor was born on
- 4 February 22, 1957 in San Francisco, California; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the late William Charles Raynor is survived by
- 6 his wife Pelihter Silbanuz Raynor, his six children and
- 7 thirteen grandchildren; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the late William Charles Raynor attended the
- 9 University of California at Davis and graduated in 1979 with
- 10 a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agricultural Science and
- 11 Management; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the late William Charles Raynor attended the
- 13 University of Hawaii at Manoa, and graduated in 1989 with a
- 14 Master of Science Degree in Agronomy and Soil Science; and
- 15 WHEREAS, the late William Charles Raynor started his
- 16 employment in the Federated States of Micronesia in 1990 at
- 17 the Pohnpei Agriculture and Trade School (PATS) as an
- 18 Agriculture Advisor; and

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- 1 WHEREAS, in 1991, the late William Charles Raynor was
- 2 employed at the College of Micronesia Land Grant Program
- 3 where he coordinated and conducted agroforestry, forestry and
- 4 environment research and extension activities in the Republic
- 5 of Palau, the FSM and the Republic of the Marshall Islands;
- 6 and
- 7 WHEREAS, in 1992, the late William Charles Raynor
- 8 launched The Nature Conservancy's Program in the Federated
- 9 States of Micronesia and since then has earned a reputation
- 10 as a leader in innovative, community-led conservation and is
- 11 a widely recognized expert in partnership and organizational
- 12 effectiveness; and
- WHEREAS, from 2006 to 2009, the late William Charles
- 14 Raynor played a crucial role in launching the Micronesian
- 15 Challenge, a region wide conservation initiative that unites
- 16 five governments and hundreds of thousands of people to
- 17 preserve Micronesian's natural environment while promoting
- 18 sustainable livelihoods, food security and adaptation to
- 19 climate change impacts; and
- 20 WHEREAS, throughout his many years with The Nature
- 21 Conservancy, the late William Charles Raynor was respected
- 22 and revered by his colleagues; and
- 23 WHEREAS, the Members of the Nineteenth Congress of the
- 24 Federated States of Micronesia join the family, friends,

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1 colleagues, and the people of Pohnpei State in mourning the
   passing of the late William Charles Raynor; now, therefore,
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        BE IT RESOLVED, that the Nineteenth Congress of the
   Federated States of Micronesia, Second Regular Session, 2015,
   wishes to express to the family, friends, colleagues, and the
   people of Pohnpei State its sadness and condolences at the
   passing of the late William Charles Raynor; and
        BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that certified copies of this
   resolution be transmitted the President of the Federated
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   States of Micronesia, the Governor of Pohnpei State, the
   Speaker of the Eighth Pohnpei State Legislature, the Nature
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   Conservancy (TNC), the Micronesian Conservation Trust, the
   Conservation Society of Pohnpei, the Traditional Leaders of
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   Madolenihmw, the Menin Keder Lapalap, the Speaker of the
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   Menintiensapw, the Chief Justice of the Madolenhimw Municipal
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   Court and Mrs. Pelihter Silbanuz Raynor.
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                              Introduced by: /s/ Esmond Moses
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   Dated: 10/01/15
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