A RESOLUTION

To ratify as a treaty the Paris Agreement concerning the need for an effective and progressive response to the urgent threat of climate change.

1. WHEREAS, the Federated States of Micronesia, being a party to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (the "UNFCCC"), was involved in the negotiations and adoption of the Paris Agreement at the 21st Conference of the Parties of the UNFCCC on December 12, 2015; and

2. WHEREAS, the objectives of the Paris Agreement are aiming to strengthen the global response to the threat of climate change include, holding the increase in the global average temperature to well below 2°C above preindustrial levels and pursuing efforts to limit the temperature increase to 1.5°C above preindustrial levels; increase the ability to adapt to the adverse impact of climate change and foster climate resilience and low greenhouse gas emissions development; and making finance flows consistent with a pathway towards low greenhouse gas emissions climate-resilient development; and

3. WHEREAS, to achieve the long-term temperature goal set out by the Paris Agreement, each party shall prepare, communicate, and maintain successive nationally determined contributions that it intents to achieve, and

4. WHEREAS, the FSM commits to unconditionally reduce by 2025
28% of its greenhouse gas emissions below emissions set in year 2000, and subject to the availability of additional financial, technical, and capacity building support from the international community, the FSM can reduce by 2025 up to 35% below emissions from the 2000 base year.

WHEREAS, the Federated States of Micronesia signed the Paris Agreement on April 22, 2016, at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, and the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia now desires to ratify the treaty; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fifth Special Session, 2016, that Congress hereby ratifies as a treaty the Paris Agreement in dealing with the urgent threat of climate change; and

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

Dated: 7/22/16

Introduced by: for /s/ David W. Panuelo
Florencio S. Harper
(by request)