A RESOLUTION

Requesting that the Speaker of the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia establish a Special Committee on Climate Change and Environmental Issues.

WHEREAS, the United Nation’s Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon recently advised a Pacific Islands Forum meeting that “Pacific island nations have a crucial role to play in efforts to advance a sustainable future” and that they are “[1] located on the frontlines of climate change”; and

WHEREAS, in addition to its duties related to all other areas of the economy of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Committee on Resources and Development must also oversee fisheries, which make an important contribution to the Nation’s gross domestic product, exports, and government revenue; and

WHEREAS, the issues related to climate change and the environment at the national and international levels are both urgent and complex; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Third Special Session, 2015, that Congress hereby requests that the Speaker establish a Special Committee on Climate Change and Environmental Issues; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Special Committee shall report its findings to Congress and make recommendations for further action; 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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