

A RESOLUTION

To amend section 14(b) of rule 10 of the Official Rules of Procedure of the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia by specifying that a vote of at least two-thirds of the Members of Congress is necessary to revoke a Presidential declaration of emergency.

1 WHEREAS, the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia
2 is governed by its Official Rules of Procedure; and

3 WHEREAS, rule 15 of the Official Rules of Procedure
4 stipulates that a motion is required to amend the said rules; and

5 WHEREAS, a Congressional Resolution is a transparent and
6 open mechanism for an amendment to the Official Rules of
7 Procedure; and

8 WHEREAS, section 14(b) of rule 10 as currently written does
9 not require a vote of two-thirds of the Members of Congress to
10 revoke a Presidential declaration of emergency; and

11 WHEREAS, the Members of the Nineteenth Congress of the
12 Federated States of Micronesia desire that, given the importance
13 of a vote to revoke a Presidential declaration of emergency, the
14 vote total required be one that reflects a strong consensus of
15 the Members of Congress; now, therefore,

16 BE IT RESOLVED by the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated
17 States of Micronesia, Fourth Special Session, 2016, that section
18 14(b) of rule 10 of the Official Rules of Procedure of the

1 Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "Section 14. Other votes.

4 (1) Approval of the following advice and
5 consent nominations require a two-thirds vote of
6 all Congress Members:

7 (a) Approval of Presidential appointment
8 of a Justice of the Supreme Court;

9 (b) Approval of Presidential appointment
10 of an ambassador;

11 Approval of Presidential appointment of
12 principal officers in the National Government;
13 and

14 (c) Approval of Presidential appointment
15 of the Public Auditor.

16 (2) The following actions may be taken by a
17 vote of at least two-thirds of the Members of
18 Congress:

19 (a) Ratification of a treaty;

20 (b) Removal of the President, Vice
21 President, or a justice of the Supreme Court for
22 treason, bribery, or conduct involving
23 corruption in office; [~~and~~]

24 (c) Removal of the Public Auditor from
25 office for cause; and

1 (d) Revocation of a Presidential
2 declaration of emergency."

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

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7 Date: 2/24/16

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