A RESOLUTION

To confirm the nomination of Mr. Dennis K. Yamase to serve as the Chief Justice of the Federated States of Micronesia Supreme Court.

WHEREAS, the President of the Federated States of Micronesia has nominated Mr. Dennis K. Yamase to serve as the Chief Justice of the Federated States of Micronesia Supreme Court; and

WHEREAS, the Federated States of Micronesia Supreme Court shall consist of a Chief Justice and not more than five associates, pursuant to Article XI, section 2 of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia and F.S.M.C. title 4 section 103; and

WHEREAS, the Office of the Chief Justice is vacant and an Associate Justice has been acting as the Chief Justice, pursuant to Article XI, section 4 of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia; and

WHEREAS, the nomination of the Chief Justice is subject to the advice and consent of Congress, pursuant to Article X, section 2(b) and Article XI, section 3 of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dennis K. Yamase is constitutionally and statutorily qualified to become the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, pursuant to Article XI, section 5 of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia, and F.S.M.C. title 4 section 20.
WHEREAS, having served the Federated States of Micronesia Supreme Court as an Associate Justice for 11 and half years, having served the Supreme Court of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands for 15 years, as the Executive Director of the Law Revision Commission, having served the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, as legal counsel, for 6 years, and having served the Republic of Palau, as legal counsel for 3 years, Mr. Dennis Yamase is professionally qualified to serve as the Chief Justice of the Federated States of Micronesia Supreme Court; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, First Regular Session, 2015, that Congress hereby confirms the nomination of Mr. Dennis K. Yamase to serve as Chief Justice of the Federated States of Micronesia Supreme Court; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Governors of each State, the Chief Justice of each State’s Supreme Court, and to Mr. Dennis K. Yamase.

Date: 5/28/15  Introduced by: /s/ Florencio S. Harper  
Florencio S. Harper (by request)