## A RESOLUTION

Ratifying the Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment.

- 1 WHEREAS, on September 15, 2015, the Federated States of
- 2 Micronesia signed the Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel,
- 3 Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (the "Convention");
- 4 and
- 5 WHEREAS, the Convention recognizes the inherent dignity of
- 6 the human person, universal respect for, and observance of, human
- 7 rights and fundamental freedoms; and
- 8 WHEREAS, the Convention prohibits any person from being
- 9 subjected to torture or to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment
- 10 or punishment; and
- WHEREAS, as a member of a civilized international community,
- 12 it is a moral and legal duty of the Federated States of Micronesia
- 13 to join the global effort towards outlawing torture and other
- 14 cruel, degrading treatment or punishment of human beings; now,
- 15 therefore,
- 16 BE IT RESOLVED by the Twentieth Congress of the Federated
- 17 States of Micronesia, Seventh Special Session, 2019, that Congress
- 18 hereby ratifies the Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel,
- 19 Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment; and

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        BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States
   of Micronesia, the Secretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs
   and the Secretary of the Department of Justice.
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