A BILL FOR AN ACT

To appropriate the sum of $10,000,000 from the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, to support the purchase of a sea vessel for the National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia and the accompanying or related costs associated with the purchase, and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA:

Section 1. Appropriation. The sum of $10,000,000 is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017, to support the purchase of a sea vessel for the National Government and the accompanying or related costs associated with the purchase.

Section 2. Use of sea vessel. The sea vessel purchased under this act shall be used to support transportation needs, to respond to emergency situations, to address climate change issues including those relating to the migration of peoples from the islands and outer islands, and to support adaptation needs resulting from sea level rise. The President may issue directive on the use, maintenance, and upkeep of this sea vessel.

Section 3. Negotiation and contracting. The Department of Justice shall be responsible for the necessary legal documentation and legal negotiation on the purchase of this sea vessel. The Department of Transportation Communication & Infrastructure shall provide technical advice with respect to
the specifications of sea vessel.

Section 4. **Procurement.** Notwithstanding the provision of section 5 of this act, in negotiating his purchase of the sea vessel, the President may instruct his cabinet to engage in direct negotiation with a suitable international supplier or suppliers.

Section 5. **Allotment and management of funds and lapse date.** All funds appropriated by this act shall be allotted, managed, administered and accounted for in accordance with applicable laws, including, but not limited to, the Financial Management Act of 1979. The allottee shall be responsible for ensuring that these funds, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are used solely for the purpose specified in this act, and that no obligations are incurred in excess of the sum appropriated. The allottee of the funds appropriated under this act shall be the President of the Federated States of Micronesia. The authority of the allottee under this act may be sub-allotted at the discretion of the President. The funds appropriated shall not lapse until fully expended.

Section 6. This act shall become law upon approval by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming law without such approval.