A RESOLUTION

Disapproving parts of a Joint Communiqué signed by the Executive Branch of the Federated States of Micronesia at the 19th Micronesian Presidents’ Summit in Palau, and calling for respect of the sovereignty of the FSM.

WHEREAS, a delegation from the Executive of the FSM attended the 19th Micronesian Presidents’ Summit in Palau on February 20-21, 2019; and

WHEREAS, one result of the summit was a Joint Communiqué which included a call in Sec 39 for the Pacific Islands Forum to treat China and Taiwan equally; and

WHEREAS, such a call is contrary to the One-China Policy which is the official policy of the FSM; and

WHEREAS, the FSM Executive allegedly agreed to the Joint Communiqué at the urging of the FSM’s neighboring countries; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the 20th Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia does not endorse, ratify, or in any way approve any such call for the Pacific Islands Forum to treat China and Taiwan equally as found in the Sec 39 of the Joint Communiqué; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Congress reiterates its commitment to the One-China Policy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Congress calls on other countries to respect the sovereign right of the FSM to determine its foreign policy and no attempt should be made by neighboring countries to undermine that right; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the FSM is hereby requested to communicate to the relevant countries the reservations of Congress to Sec 39 of the Joint Communiqué; and

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

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