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April 15, 2020

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina  
Speaker  
FSM Congress  
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear Speaker Simina:

I transmit herewith a certified copy of Congressional Resolution No. 21-132, which was adopted by the Twenty-First Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fifth Special Session, 2020.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Liwiana Ramon Ioanis". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a horizontal line above the name.

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis  
Chief Clerk  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures



TWENTY-FIRST CONGRESS OF THE  
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA  
FIFTH SPECIAL SESSION  
APRIL 13 - 17, 2020

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# A RESOLUTION

TO AMEND SECTION 3 OF RULE 1 OF THE OFFICIAL RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR THE TWENTY-FIRST CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA TO EXPLICITLY PROVIDE FOR THE ABILITY TO HAVE A REMOTE SESSION VIA TELECONFERENCE OR ONLINE.

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INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: WESLEY W. SIMINA

DATE: APRIL 9, 2020

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ADOPTED: APRIL 14, 2020

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Liwiana Ramon Ioanis  
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress

A RESOLUTION

To amend Section 3 of Rule 1 of the Official Rules of Procedure for the Twenty-First Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia to explicitly provide for the ability to have a remote session via teleconference or online.

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

4           WHEREAS, Rule 1 Section 3 stipulates the place that the  
5   congressional sessions shall occur; and

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

9           WHEREAS, the Members of the Twenty-First Congress of the  
10   Federated States of Micronesia's desire to amend the place of  
11   session to include a remote session via teleconference or online;  
12   and

13          WHEREAS, the global pandemic caused by the COVID-19 outbreak  
14   has caused the individual states of the Federated States of  
15   Micronesia to close their borders and ports to ensure public  
16   safety; now, therefore,

17          BE IT RESOLVED by the Twenty-First Congress of the Federated  
18   States of Micronesia, Fifth Special Session, 2020, that Section 3  
19   of Rule 1 of the Official Rules of Procedure of the Twenty-First  
20   Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia is hereby amended  
21   to read as follows:

1 "Section 3. Place of sessions. The Congress shall meet  
2 at place in the State of Pohnpei, designated by the  
3 Speaker, or in such State of the Federated States of  
4 Micronesia as the Congress of the Federated States of  
5 Micronesia shall by resolution determine, at a place  
6 designated by Speaker. In extraordinary circumstances  
7 which prevents members of Congress of the Federated States  
8 of Micronesia from meeting in the same locale, the  
9 Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia may meet  
10 remotely via teleconference or online with members in  
11 different locations."; and

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this  
13 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States  
14 of Micronesia.


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18 ADOPTED: April 14, 2020



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Wesley W. Simina  
Speaker  
FSM Congress

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23 ATTEST:



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Liwiana Ramon Ioanis  
Chief Clerk  
FSM Congress