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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. 21-85, which was adopted by the Twenty-First Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2020.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Liwiana Ramon Ioanis".

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

Enclosures



TWENTY-FIRST CONGRESS OF THE
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA
THIRD REGULAR SESSION
JANUARY 27 – FEBRUARY 15, 2020


A
RESOLUTION

DECLARING THE GOAL OF THE CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF
MICRONESIA TO HAVE THE FSM REACH UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE BY
2030 AND CALLING UPON THE PRESIDENT TO TAKE MEASURES TO
EFFECTUATE THAT GOAL.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: AREN B. PALIK

DATE: NOVEMBER 28, 2019

ADOPTED: FEBRUARY 7, 2020


Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress

A RESOLUTION

Declaring the goal of the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia to have the FSM reach Universal Health Coverage by 2030 and calling upon the President to take measures to effectuate that goal.

1 WHEREAS, the principle of Universal Health Coverage ("UHC")
2 means that all people have access to the health services they need
3 when and where they need them, without financial hardship; and

4 WHEREAS, UHC is a recognition of health care as a human
5 right; and

6 WHEREAS, on September 23, 2019, the United Nations General
7 Assembly held a high level meeting which issued a Political
8 Declaration which stated inter alia the goal of the United Nations
9 to "Ensure that no one is left behind, with an endeavor to reach
10 the furthest behind first, founded on the dignity of the human
11 person and reflecting the principles of equality and non-
12 discrimination, as well as to empower those who are vulnerable or
13 in vulnerable situations and address their physical and mental
14 health needs which are reflected in the 2030 Agenda for
15 Sustainable Development, including all children, youth, persons
16 with disabilities, people living with HIV/AIDS, older persons,
17 indigenous peoples, refugees and internally displaced persons and
18 migrants"; and

1 WHEREAS, on October 10, 2019, the United Nations General
2 Assembly adopted the above Political Declaration by resolution;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, on October 17, 2019, the Inter-Parliamentary Union
5 at the 141st IPU General Assembly in Belgrade adopted a resolution
6 calling for parliaments to take all legal and policy measures to
7 achieve universal health coverage by 2030, with nutrition
8 integrated, and urging parliaments to put in place effective UHC
9 legislation to ensure that the right to public health and medical
10 care is guaranteed for all in law and in practice, without
11 discrimination; and

12 WHEREAS, the government and Congress of the FSM supported
13 both of the above resolutions; now, therefore,

14 BE IT RESOLVED by the Twenty-First Congress of the Federated
15 States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2020, that it is the
16 goal of the Congress for the FSM to achieve Universal Health
17 Coverage by 2030; and

18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Congress requests the
19 President of the FSM to take all appropriate measures to reach
20 that goal; and

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States
3 of Micronesia, the Secretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs,
4 the Secretary of the Department of Health and Social Affairs and
5 the FSM United Nations Mission.

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9 ADOPTED: February 7, 2020

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Wesley W. Simina
Speaker
FSM Congress

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Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk
FSM Congress