January 4, 2023

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina
Speaker
Twenty-Second Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear Speaker Simina:

I am pleased to transmit the following act, which I have signed to become Public Law No. 22-172:

CONGRESSIONAL ACT NO. 22-164, ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO PROPOSE AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XIII OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA, BY INSERTING A NEW SECTION 8 THEREOF, TO PROVIDE THAT THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZES THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE TO A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT. AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Pursuant to the Article XIV Section 1 of the FSM Constitution, this proposed amendment shall be placed on a ballot for approval.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

David W. Panuelo
President

Xe: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court
December 04, 2022

His Excellency David W. Panuelo  
President  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear President Panuelo:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 22-164, "AN ACT TO PROPOSE AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XIII OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA, BY INSERTING A NEW SECTION 8 THEREOF, TO PROVIDE THAT THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT RECOGNIZES THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE TO A HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", which was passed by the Twenty-Second Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Sixth Special Session, 2022, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Jessica Lynn Reyes  
Chief Clerk, Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures
An Act

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INTRODUCED BY SENATORS: WESLEY W. SIMINA AND ISAAC V. FIGIR
DATE: NOVEMBER 28, 2022

REFERRED TO: JUDICIARY AND GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
WITHDRAWN – NOVEMBER 30, 2022

FIRST READING: NOVEMBER 30, 2022
SECOND READING: DECEMBER 01, 2022

Jessica Lynn Reyes
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress
ACT NO. 22-164

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 22-255)

We hereby certify that on December 01 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Twenty-Second Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Sixth Special Session, 2022, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required under article IX, section 20, of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia.

Wesley W. Simina
Speaker
Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia

Jessica Lynn Reyes
Chief Clerk
Congress of the
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AN ACT

To propose an amendment to Article XIII of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia, by inserting a new Section 8 thereof, to provide that the national government recognizes the right of the people to a healthy environment, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. It is hereby proposed that Article XIII of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia be amended by inserting a new Section 8 thereof, to read as follows:

"Section 8. The national government of the Federated States of Micronesia recognizes the right of the people to a healthy environment and shall take steps reasonable and necessary to respect, protect, and promote this right."
Section 2. This act shall become law upon approval by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming law without such approval.

Jan 4th, 2022

David W. Panuelo
President
Federated States of Micronesia