A RESOLUTION

Expressing the sincere condolences and sadness of the Twenty-Second Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia to the family of the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George, Vice President of the Federated States of Micronesia, at his passing on August 13, 2022.

WHEREAS, the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George was born in Kosrae on July 24, 1941 and showed great disciple and intelligence at a young age; and

WHEREAS, the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George attended the University of Guam initially but transferred to the University of Hawaii with a scholarship from the East-West Center where he graduated with a Bachelor’s in Mathematics in 1969; and

WHEREAS, the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George went on to have an extraordinary career in government service spanning over 50 years and became one of the Federated States of Micronesia’s most important leaders culminating with his service as the Vice President of our Nation; and

WHEREAS, the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George began his public service during the Trust Territory period with the Ponape Transportation Authority, he served briefly as a classroom teacher at Kolonia Elementary School and finished his first decade of service as the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands’ Social Security manager in Saipan; and

WHEREAS, the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George’s professional integrity and competence was noted by all who came in contact with him and this made him a natural choice for government leadership
WHEREAS, the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George served as the first Lieutenant Governor of Kosrae from 1979 to 1980; and

WHEREAS, after which the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George was selected by President Nakayama to become the Director of the Department of Social Services which oversaw the Nation’s education, health and social services systems and for three years very competently built the administration and management systems of this new department; and

WHEREAS, the Honorable Yosiwo P. George returned to Kosrae to successfully run for governor and served as the Governor of Kosrae from January 1983 to January of 1991, achieving lasting positive impact for the welfare, health and education of the citizens of the state through his leadership and demand for quality government services; and

WHEREAS, the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George was nominated by President Olter to serve as the Ambassador for the Federated States of Micronesia to the United Nations in New York, and here the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George was shown to be a diplomat of the highest quality and very capable in representing our Nation’s interests in a complex political setting; and

WHEREAS, In 1997 the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George was elected to the Tenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia and served for the first time in our Congress for four years focusing on health and education issues before being
appointed as Chief Justice for the Kosrae State Supreme Court where he served with distinction until 2006; and

WHEREAS, under the administration of President Mori the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George served first as the Administrator for the MiCare National Health Insurance Program and later as the Ambassador to the United States seamlessly moving from one high level position to another while improving and strengthening the offices and mentoring new employees; and

WHEREAS, in May 2015 the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George was elected again to the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, and was further honored by being selected as the eighth Vice President of the Federated States of Micronesia, he served as Vice President of our Nation until his passing, and through out his tenure he continued to champion issues especially related to the health, education and welfare of our people; and

WHEREAS, the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George is remembered by all those fortunate to have an opportunity to work with him as a man of the highest integrity, one willing to work until the job was done, but also as an individual who treated everyone with dignity and respect, as always leading by example; and

WHEREAS, the people of the Federated States of Micronesia have benefited from the late Honorable Yosiwo P. Goerge’s strong leadership, and his commitment to promoting the development, growth and protection our Nation; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Twenty-Second Congress of the Federated
States of Micronesia, Fifth Regular Session, 2022, that Congress hereby expresses its sincere condolences and sadness to the family of the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George at his passing on August 13, 2022; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia and the family of the late Honorable Yosiwo P. George.

Date: 9/16/22

Introduced by: /s/ Paliknoa K. Welly

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