A RESOLUTION

To request the Office of the National Public Auditor to audit the accounts, books, and other financial records of the Department of Finance and Administration in regards to the $9,500,454 reserved by the Department of Finance and Administration in Fiscal Year 2019 to cover the potential National Government liability in FSM v. Pacific International, Inc., Civ. Case No. 2014-46, Appeal Case No. P12-2021.

1 WHEREAS, pursuant to section 505 of title 55 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), the Office of the Public Auditor has the duty to inspect and audit transactions, accounts, books, and other financial records of every branch, department, office, agency and board of the National Government; and

2 WHEREAS, pursuant to section 506 of title 55 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), the Office of the Public Auditor has the power to examine and inspect all books, records, files, papers, documents, and all financial affairs of every branch, department, office, agency and board of the National Government; and

3 WHEREAS, in fiscal year 2019, the Department of Finance and Administration reserved and/or booked $9,500,454 for the purpose of covering the potential liability of the National Government in FSM v. Pacific International, Inc., Civ. Case No. 2014-046; and

4 WHEREAS, the Office of National Public Auditor report on
the audit of financial statements for fiscal year 2019
reported a Department of Justice litigation expense of
$9,500,454 due to a loss in litigation; now, therefore,
BE IT RESOLVED by the Twenty-Second Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia, Sixth Regular Session, 2023,
that Congress is requesting the Office of the National Public
Auditor to audit the transactions, accounts, books and other
financial record of the Department of Finance and
Administration from the fiscal year 2019 to present on the
$9,500,454 reserved and/or booked by the Department of Finance
and Administration to cover potential National Government
2014-046, Appeal Case No. P12-2021; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copy of this
resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated
States of Micronesia, the Secretary of the Department of Finance
and Administration and the Public Auditor of the Office of the
National Public Auditor.

Date: 01/17/23  Introduced by: /s/ Robson U. Romolow
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