

A RESOLUTION

Ratifying and acceding to the Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court.

1 WHEREAS, on July 17, 1998, the Statute of Rome (the "Rome
2 Statute") was adopted in Rome, Italy, to be the founding treaty of
3 the International Criminal Court (ICC) that was established to
4 assume criminal jurisdiction with respect to the most serious
5 crimes of international concern, namely, genocide, crimes against
6 humanity and war crimes; and

7 WHEREAS, the establishment of the ICC was based upon the
8 universal hope that the most horrendous crimes will no longer go
9 unpunished and that its deterrent effect will significantly reduce
10 their occurrence in the future; and

11 WHEREAS, the Rome Statute recognizes the principle of
12 cooperation among Member States and with the international
13 community as a whole in dealing with international crimes; and

14 WHEREAS, the Twenty-Second Congress of the Federated States of
15 Micronesia is of the view that it is in the best interest of the
16 Federated States of Micronesia to cooperate with other nations
17 within the frame work of the Rome Statute of the International
18 Criminal Court in dealing with international crimes for the
19 protection of its people and the Nation as a whole; now,
20 therefore,

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1 BE IT RESOLVELD by the Twenty-Second Congress of the Federated
2 States of Micronesia, First Special Session, 2021, that Congress
3 hereby ratifies and accedes to the Rome Statute of the
4 International Criminal Court; and

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
6 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States
7 of Micronesia, the Secretary of the Department of Foreign Affairs
8 and the Secretary of the Department of Justice.

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10 Date: 7/15/21

Introduced by: /s/ Florencio S. Harper
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