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January 16, 2024

The Honorable Esmond B. Moses  
Speaker  
P.O. Box PS 3  
FSM Congress  
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear Speaker Moses:

I transmit herewith a certified copy of Congressional Resolution No. 23-115, C.D.1, which was adopted by the Twenty-Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2024.

Sincerely,

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Jessicalynn Reyes  
Chief Clerk  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures



TWENTY- THIRD CONGRESS OF THE  
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA  
THIRD REGULAR SESSION  
JANUARY 10 – 29, 2024

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# A RESOLUTION

EXPRESSING THE SINCERE CONDOLENCES AND SADNESS OF THE TWENTY-THIRD CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA TO THE FAMILY OF THE LATE HONORABLE PALIKNOA K. WELLY, SENATOR OF THE TWENTY-THIRD CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA REPRESENTING CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT ONE OF THE STATE OF KOSRAE, AT HIS PASSING ON JANUARY 5, 2024.

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INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: JOSEPH J. URUSEMAL

DATE: JANUARY 10, 2024

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ADOPTED: JANUARY 15, 2024

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Jessicalynn Reyes  
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress

TWENTY-THIRD CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

THIRD REGULAR SESSION, 2024 CONGRESSIONAL RESOLUTION NO. 23-115, C.D.1

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A RESOLUTION

Expressing the sincere condolences and sadness of the Twenty-Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia to the family of the late Honorable Paliknoa K. Welly, Senator of the Twenty-Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia representing Congressional District One of the state of Kosrae, at his passing on January 5, 2024.

1           WHEREAS, the late Honorable Paliknoa K. Welly was born in  
2 Kosrae on December 24, 1951, and showed exemplary discipline and  
3 intelligence at a young age, graduating as class valedictorian in  
4 both elementary (1967) and high school (1971); and

5           WHEREAS, the late Honorable Paliknoa K. Welly attended the  
6 United States International University (USIU) in Maui, Hawaii and  
7 San Diego, California, before enlisting in the United States  
8 Marine Corps at Camp Pendleton in Field Artillery in June 1974, as  
9 Fire Direction Control Man, until he was honorably discharged in  
10 August 1978; and

11           WHEREAS, following his commendable service and honorable  
12 discharge from the United States Marine Corps, the late Honorable  
13 Paliknoa K. Welly worked in management for the Circle-K  
14 Corporation in San Diego and, simultaneously, in 1991 enrolled at  
15 California State University – Turtlock, where he graduated in 1994  
16 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Criminal Justice/Law  
17 Enforcement; and

18           WHEREAS, the late Honorable Paliknoa K. Welly returned to his  
19 cherished home state of Kosrae in 1995 and began his long and  
20 notable career in public service, working for the State Government

1 as the Administrative Officer for the Department of Education  
2 while again, simultaneously, pursuing further education by  
3 enrolling in an extension program through the University of  
4 Hawaii-Manoa for a Master's degree in Education Administration  
5 and, upon completion of his Master's degree served as the  
6 Community Development Officer for the College of Micronesia for  
7 three years from 1999 to 2001; and

8       WHEREAS, the late Honorable Paliknoa K. Welly became a member  
9 of the Kosrae state Bar in December 2001 and began serving as  
10 Chief Prosecutor for the state of Kosrae; in 2005 the late  
11 Honorable Paliknoa K. Welly became a member of the FSM Bar and in  
12 2006 accepted the position of Environmental Lawyer for the Kosrae  
13 Island Resource Management Authority (KIRMA); and

14       WHEREAS, the late Honorable Paliknoa K. Welly was first  
15 elected to the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia in  
16 2007, as the two-year Senator representing Congressional District  
17 One of Kosrae to the Fifteenth Congress and, in recognition of his  
18 dedication, accomplishments, and exceptional service, was re-  
19 elected by his constituents in each subsequent election up to and  
20 including election to the current Twenty-Third Congress; and

21       WHEREAS, the late Honorable Paliknoa K. Welly was selected as  
22 Chair of the Congressional Standing Committee on External Affairs  
23 for the Fifteenth through Seventeenth Congress, served as Vice  
24 Speaker for the Eighteenth Congress, and again selected as Chair  
25 of the Congressional Standing Committee on External Affairs for

1 the Nineteenth through Twenty-Third Congress, while also serving  
2 on the Committees on Judiciary and Governmental Operations and  
3 Ways and Means, and Chair of the Kosrae Delegation; and

4 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Paliknoa K. Welly was held in  
5 high regard by all those fortunate to have the opportunity to work  
6 with him and is remembered as a man of highest integrity, with  
7 dedication to service and tremendous leadership, and an unending  
8 commitment to the development, growth, and protection of our  
9 Nation; and

10 WHEREAS, the people of the Federated States of Micronesia  
11 have benefited immeasurably from the life and service of the late  
12 Honorable Paliknoa K. Welly; and

13 WHEREAS, the late Honorable Paliknoa K. Welly passed away on  
14 January 5, 2024, in his village of Walung in his beloved state of  
15 Kosrae, and is survived by his wife Shrue, their children Kilafwa,  
16 Arthy, Gary, and Wilmina, their ten grandchildren and is preceded  
17 in death by their son Itchiro; now, therefore,

18 BE IT RESOLVED by the Twenty-Third Congress of the Federated  
19 States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2024, that Congress  
20 hereby expresses its sincere condolences and sadness to the family  
21 of the late Honorable Paliknoa K. Welly at his passing on January  
22 5, 2024; 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 and the family of the late Honorable Paliknoa K.  
4 Welly.

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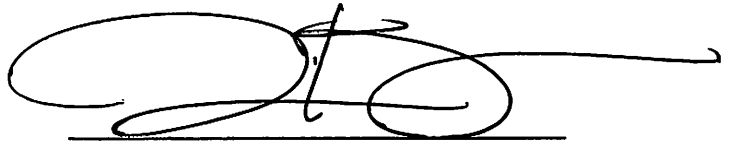
ADOPTED: January 15, 2024



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Esmond B. Moses  
Speaker  
FSM Congress

ATTEST:



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Jessicalynn Reyes  
Chief Clerk  
FSM Congress