July 19, 2023

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. 23-08, C.D.1, C.D.2, which was adopted by the Twenty-Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, First Special Session, 2023.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Jessicalynn Reyes  
Chief Clerk  
Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures
A RESOLUTION

TO RATIFY THE 2023 TREATY BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA, TO AMEND CERTAIN TERMS OF THE COMPACT OF FREE ASSOCIATION, AS AMENDED.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: QUINCY LAWRENCE (BY REQUEST)

DATE: JULY 07, 2023

ADOPTED: JULY 18, 2023

Jessica Lynn Reyes
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress
A RESOLUTION

To ratify the 2023 Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia, to amend certain terms of the Compact of Free Association, as amended.

1 WHEREAS, pursuant to law, the Joint Committee on Compact
2 Review and Planning (JCRP) negotiated the Agreement Between the
3 Government of the Federated States of Micronesia to Amend certain
4 terms of the Compact of Free Association, as amended ("2023
5 Amended Compact");
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7 WHEREAS, the JCRP also negotiated subsidiary agreements for
8 the 2023 Amended Compact that have been concluded so far, as
9 follows: Agreement Concerning Procedures for the Implementation of
10 United States Economic Assistance Provided in the 2023 Amended
11 Compact between the Government of the United States of America and
12 the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended
13 ("2023 Fiscal Procedures Agreement"), and Agreement between the
14 Government of the United States of America and the Government of
15 the Federated States of Micronesia Regarding the Compact Trust
16 Fund; and
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18 WHEREAS, the JCRP endorsed the negotiated agreement to the
19 President and the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia
20 and pursuant to full powers issued by the President, the Amended
Compact was signed by the Chief Negotiator on behalf of and for the Federated States of Micronesia; and

WHEREAS, the 2023 Amended Compact is a treaty subject to the ratification powers of the FSM Congress; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 10 F.S.M.C. §402, amendments to the Compact shall be effected by two-thirds vote of the members of the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia and a further approval by the majority of two-thirds of the States of the Federated States of Micronesia shall be required if such an amendment delegates a major power or major powers of Government of the Federated States of Micronesia to another government, or whenever there is a substantial reduction in any Compact benefit, even if the reduction is accompanied by any form of compensation; and

WHEREAS, the Twenty-Third Congress wishes to convey its profound appreciation to the United States Government and to the JCRP team for their hard work and cooperation that resulted in the conclusion of the 2023 Amended Compact; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Twenty-Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, First Special Session, 2023, Congress hereby ratifies the Treaty Between the Government of the United States of America and the Federated States of Micronesia to amend certain terms of the Compact of Free Association, as amended; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, all Cabinet Members, the Governor of each state of the Nation and the United States Embassy in Kolonia.

ADOPTED: July 18, 2023

Esmond B. Moses
Speaker
FSM Congress

ATTEST:

Jessicalynn Reyes
Chief Clerk
FSM Congress