A RESOLUTION

Ratifying "An Agreement Among Coastal States Regarding A Fishery Access Agreement With The American Tunaboat Association" recently entered into by the Governments of the Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of Kiribati, and Republic of Palau.

WHEREAS, the Micronesian Maritime Authority, Palau Maritime Authority, Government of the Republic of Kiribati, and the American Tunaboat Association concluded a fisheries access agreement on February 24, 1983; and

WHEREAS, the Federated States of Micronesia Congressional Committee on Resources and Development has approved said fisheries access agreement in accordance with 24 F.S.M.C. 406(2); and

WHEREAS, the Governments of the Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of Kiribati, and the Republic of Palau, on February 24, 1983, entered into an international agreement entitled "An Agreement Among Coastal States Regarding A Fishery Access Agreement With The American Tunaboat Association" the purpose of which is to administer said fisheries access agreement; and

WHEREAS, it is required by article IX, section 4, of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia that said international agreement be ratified by the Congress; and

WHEREAS, said international agreement will benefit the Federated States of Micronesia by facilitating the generation of fisheries revenue and by promoting the efficient management of the tuna resource in the Extended Fishery Zone of the Federated States of Micronesia; now therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, First Regular Session, 1983, that the Congress ratifies the international fishery agreement entitled "An Agreement Among Coastal States Regarding A Fisheries Access Agreement With The American Tunaboat Association" entered into on February 24, 1983, by the Governments of the Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of Kiribati, Republic of Palau, and the American Tunaboat Association; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Micronesian Maritime Authority, the President of the Republic of Kiribati, the President of the Republic of Palau, the Palau Maritime Authority, the American Tunaboat Association, and the United States Secretary of State.

Date: 5/23/83

Introduced by: [Signature]

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(by request)