A RESOLUTION

Requesting the President of the Federated States of Micronesia to conduct a study so as to determine the cause of the destruction of certain taro patches near Poy Bay between the villages of Tunnuk and Mechitw on Noen Island, Truk State.

WHEREAS, over the course of the last few months certain taro patches near Poy Bay between the villages of Tunnuk and Mechitw have been destroyed by the invasion of salt water into the patches; and

WHEREAS, these destroyed taro patches are a principal source of food for these two affected villages; and

WHEREAS, the bridge between the villages of Tunnuk and Mechitw was recently improved by the efforts of Maeda Construction Co.; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the construction efforts of Maeda Construction Co. openings in the bridge through which lagoon water ingress and egressed were expanded; and

WHEREAS, many of the people of Tunnuk and Mechitw are of the belief that the bridge design employed by Maeda Construction Co. is the cause of the destruction of the affected taro patches and thus Maeda Construction Co. should be held liable for those losses incurred; and

WHEREAS, without the benefit of a scientific study which can accurately analyze the reason for the destruction of the affected taro patches the villages of Tunnuk and Mechitw are without a remedy to their problem; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Regular Session, 1983, that the President of the Federated States of Micronesia is hereby respectfully requested to conduct a study so as to determine the cause of the destruction of certain taro patches near Poy Bay between the villages of Tunnuk and Mechitw on Noen Island, Truk State; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution
be transmitted to the Honorable Tosiwo Nakayama, President of the
Federated States of Micronesia, and the Honorable Erhart Aten, Governor
of the State of Truk.

Date: 10/30/83  Introduced by: [Signature]

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