A RESOLUTION

Respectfully requesting the Commission on Future Political Status and Transition to reexamine and reevaluate the viability of independence as an alternative to free association and to report its findings to the Congress as expeditiously as possible.

WHEREAS, the United States House of Representatives is currently considering amendments to the Compact of Free Association which could make the Compact unacceptable to the people of the Federated States of Micronesia; and

WHEREAS, it may therefore become necessary for the Federated States of Micronesia to consider the viability of independence as an alternative to free association; and

WHEREAS, the Commission on Future Political Status and Transition has previously studied the option of independence, but its prior findings may no longer be relevant in light of changed circumstances;

now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Fourth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, First Special Session, 1985, that the Commission on Future Political Status and Transition is hereby respectfully requested to reexamine and reevaluate the viability of independence as an alternative to free association and to report its findings to the Congress as expeditiously as possible; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Executive Director of the Commission on Future Political Status and Transition, the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the Chairman of the United States House of Representatives Committees on Interior and Insular Affairs and Foreign Affairs.

Date: 7/22/85

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