A RESOLUTION

Respectfully requesting the United Nations Trusteeship Council to support the exercise of self-determination by the people of the Federated States of Micronesia by expeditiously terminating the Trusteeship Agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands upon final approval of the Compact of Free Association by the United States and the Federated States of Micronesia.

1 WHEREAS, the United States has administered the islands of Micronesia since the close of World War II under a Trusteeship Agreement with the United Nations; and

2 WHEREAS, during this time the inhabitants of Micronesia have, by democratic means, established their own political institutions and Governments, and negotiated a future political status agreement with the United States known as the Compact of Free Association; and

3 WHEREAS, through an elaborate and democratic process, the Compact of Free Association was approved by the Federated States of Micronesia through a National plebiscite, and the approval of three out of four State legislatures and the National Congress; and

4 WHEREAS, the Compact of Free Association is now pending before the U.S. Congress, where numerous unilateral amendments have been proposed to the agreement; and

5 WHEREAS, although the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia has strong reservations about several of the proposed U.S. congressional amendments to the Compact of Free Association, it is the sense of the Congress that there is still the possibility that a mutually acceptable version of the Compact of Free Association will ultimately and soon be approved by the United States and the Federated States of Micronesia; and

6 WHEREAS, in recognition of this possibility, the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia believes this is an appropriate time to seek the support of the United Nations Trusteeship Council, which in the past has strongly supported Micronesians' efforts to exercise their inherent
right to self-determination; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Fourth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, First Special Session, 1985, that the Congress hereby respectfully requests the United Nations Trusteeship Council to support the exercise of self-determination by the people of the Federated States of Micronesia by expeditiously terminating the Trusteeship Agreement for the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands upon final approval of the Compact of Free Association by the United States and the Federated States of Micronesia; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to each of the members of the Trusteeship Council, and to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia.

Date: July 22, '85

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