A RESOLUTION

Expressing the concern of the Congress regarding the proposal to tax goods shipped from Hawaii to the Western Pacific region and respectfully requesting that the President of the Federated States of Micronesia and the Secretary of the Department of External Affairs of the Federated States of Micronesia inform the United States Government of these concerns.

1 WHEREAS, one purpose of the Compact of Free Association between the Federated States of Micronesia and the United States is to promote greater economic ties between our two nations; and

2 WHEREAS, the Congress has recently learned, through second-hand sources, of proposals made within the United States Government for a tax upon goods shipped from Hawaii to the Western Pacific region; and

3 WHEREAS, this tax would have the effect of discouraging trade and economic ties between the Federated States of Micronesia and the United States' State of Hawaii; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Fifth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, First Regular Session, 1987, that the Congress hereby expresses its concern regarding the proposal to tax goods shipped from Hawaii to the Western Pacific region; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Congress respectfully requests the President of the Federated States of Micronesia and the Secretary of the Department of External Affairs of the Federated States of Micronesia to inform the United States Government of these concerns; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia and the Secretary of the Department of External Affairs of the Federated States of Micronesia.

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