

A RESOLUTION

To approve the accession of the Federated States of Micronesia to the United Nation's Convention Against Corruption.

1 WHEREAS, corruption is closely linked to the fundamental
2 principal underpinning sustainable social and economic
3 development, particularly in developing countries and has been
4 identified as a key factor in economic underperformance and a
5 major obstacle to poverty alleviation and development in many
6 countries; and

7 WHEREAS, corruption discourages foreign aid and investment
8 and legitimate economic and commercial competition; and

9 WHEREAS, corruption fosters an anti-democratic environment
10 characterized by uncertainty, unpredictability and declining moral
11 values and disrespect for constitutional institutions and the rule
12 of law; and

13 WHEREAS, the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia
14 recognizes the negative effects of corruption and expressed its
15 support for the United Nation's Convention Against Corruption
16 during the 2004 Pacific Islands Forum held in Apia, Samoa; and

17 WHEREAS, the United Nation's Convention Against Corruption
18 provides a global framework that all countries can apply in order
19 to strengthen their legal and regulatory regimes to fight
20 corruption; and

21 WHEREAS, the United Nation's Convention Against Corruption is

1 in line with the principle of good governance, transparency and
2 accountability; now, therefore,

3 BE IT RESOLVED by the Seventeenth Congress of the Federated
4 States of Micronesia, Second Special Session, 2011, that Congress
5 hereby approves the Federated States of Micronesia's accession to
6 the United Nation's Convention Against Corruption; and

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
8 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States
9 of Micronesia, and the Secretary of FSM Department of Foreign
10 Affairs for the earliest deposit of the required instrument of
11 accession with the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

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13 Dated: 11/19/11

Introduced by: /s/ Florencio S. Harper
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(by request)

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