A RESOLUTION

Requesting the President brief the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia regarding all foreign affairs matters, and further, that the President make no alteration to the diplomatic relations with the People's Republic of China at this time and reiterating the One China Policy as the official policy of the FSM.

- 1 WHEREAS, the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia
- 2 is very aware of our Nation's unique position as a pacific
- 3 island nation with economic, geographic, political and
- 4 environmental significance, and while it has a small population
- 5 and modest incomes compared to many of its large neighbors, it
- 6 is important to those neighbors, and that our Nation's
- 7 leadership has always striven to protect our culture and
- 8 tradition, and independence, as well as, the best interests of
- 9 its citizens since the founding of the Nation in 1979, and this
- 10 has been done, in part, by declaring one of its primary foreign
- 11 policies to all the nations of the world that it is 'a friend to
- 12 all and an enemy to none'; and
- 13 WHEREAS, the small population of our Nation has worked in
- 14 favor of many of our successes and allowed for consulting and
- 15 contribution from our National and State Governments, consensus
- 16 and continuity has been achieved after careful study and it has
- 17 produced consistent policy and united government in many areas,
- 18 including foreign affairs, diplomatic relationships achieved
- 19 after significant study and review by a broad group of our

- 1 government leaders has led to an increase in our Nation's
- 2 participation in global and regional organizations, an increase
- 3 in development aid, training and education opportunities,
- 4 funding in infrastructure, health and education, and many other
- 5 benefits, but equally important it has led to security, peace
- 6 and stability; and
- WHEREAS, the foreign policy and diplomatic relations of the
- 8 Federated States of Micronesia have taken years, and in some
- 9 cases decades to establish with other nations, our Nation's
- 10 diplomatic relations with the People's Republic of China is an
- 11 example of hard work, consultation and study by our Department
- 12 of Foreign Affairs, in conjunction with consultation with a
- 13 broad segment of our National and State Government leadership,
- 14 and it has produced a diplomatic relationship with the People's
- 15 Republic of China that has significantly benefited the Federated
- 16 States of Micronesia; and
- 17 WHEREAS, after many years of strong diplomatic relations
- 18 with the People's Republic of China, including recognizing its
- 19 One China policy the Congress of the Federated States of
- 20 Micronesia strongly urges that its diplomatic relationship with
- 21 the People's Republic of China remain unchanged absent an in-
- 22 depth study, consultation with this Congress and a broad segment
- 23 of National and State Governments, and compelling evidence of
- 24 any negative impact this diplomatic relationship has had on this
- 25 Nation; now, therefore,

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        BE IT RESOLVED, that the Congress reiterates that the One
 2 China Policy is the official policy of the FSM; and
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        BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Twenty-Second Congress of the
4 Federated States of Micronesia, Seventh Special Session, 2023,
5 that the Congress hereby requests the President brief the
6 Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia regarding all
7 foreign affairs matters, and further that the President make no
8 alteration to the diplomatic relations with the People's
9 Republic of China at this time; and
        BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copiy of this
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11 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated
12 States of Micronesia.
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14 Date: 3/15/23
                       Introduced by: /s/ Ferny S. Perman
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