

A RESOLUTION

To rejoin the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures, and for other purposes.

1 WHEREAS, the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures ("the
2 APIL") is currently comprised of lawmakers from American Samoa,
3 the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of
4 the Marshall Islands, the Republic of Palau, Nauru, Kiribati,
5 Hawaii, Guam, and the FSM States of Chuuk, Kosrae, Pohnpei and
6 Yap; and

7 WHEREAS, the APIL was formed to promote friendship and mutual
8 understanding between and among the law-making bodies in the
9 region; and

10 WHEREAS, the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia
11 ("the FSM Congress") was a full member of the APIL during its
12 initial years, but later voluntarily withdrew its membership; and

13 WHEREAS, during its General Assembly held in the State of
14 Kosrae, from July 16-18, 2003, the APIL adopted a resolution
15 encouraging the FSM Congress to rejoin the association; and

16 WHEREAS, it is the sense of the Thirteenth FSM Congress that
17 rejoining the APIL now will be mutually beneficial to the FSM
18 Congress and the APIL; now, therefore,

19 BE IT RESOLVED by the Thirteenth Congress of the Federated
20 States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2004, that the FSM

1 Congress shall rejoin the Association of Pacific Island
2 Legislatures;

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
4 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States
5 of Micronesia and the President of the Association of Pacific
6 Island Legislature.

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8 Date: 5/17/04

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