

A RESOLUTION

Urging the Governments of the States of the Federated States of Micronesia, namely the appropriate State authorities of Yap, Chuuk, Pohnpei and Kosrae, to consider legislation that will make it a criminal offence to intentionally or recklessly cause another person to contract the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV).

1           WHEREAS the human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) is recognized  
2 by regional and public health officials as a virus with  
3 devastating consequences for human beings; and

4           WHEREAS cases of HIV infection have been identified in  
5 Micronesia; and

6           WHEREAS the HIV virus may be easily transmitted from one  
7 human being to another without the knowledge of the person who may  
8 be receiving the virus; and

9           WHEREAS the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia  
10 is currently considering a Bill that would criminalize the  
11 intentional or reckless transmission of HIV to another person, by  
12 any means; now, therefore,

13           BE IT RESOLVED by the Fourteenth Congress of the Federated  
14 States of Micronesia, Second Special Session, 2006, that the  
15 Congress hereby requests the States of the Federated States of  
16 Micronesia to consider legislation that would criminalize the  
17 intentional or reckless transmission of HIV to another person;

18           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
19 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States  
20 of Micronesia and the Governor of each state.

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