

A RESOLUTION

Requesting the President to obtain membership for the Federated States of Micronesia in the International Organization for Migration.

1 WHEREAS, the International Organization for Migration (IOM)
2 is an inter-governmental organization established in 1951 that has
3 a membership of over 100 countries all over the world, and has
4 maintained field offices in more than 140 countries, including the
5 Federated States of Micronesia; and

6 WHEREAS, IOM's primary work is to promote humane management
7 of migration and provide humanitarian assistance to migrants
8 through services and advice to governments, and the Federated
9 States of Micronesia has in the past benefitted from its
10 assistance; and

11 WHEREAS, IOM is also the implementing entity of the United
12 States Agency for International Development's (USAID) disaster
13 preparedness and emergency management programs through IOM's field
14 offices in the State of Pohnpei and the State of Yap; and

15 WHEREAS, pursuant to the Federal Programs and Services
16 Agreement, a subsidiary agreement between the United States and
17 the Federated States of Micronesia, USAID is responsible for
18 providing disaster assistance and coordinating the United States
19 Government's response to declared disasters in the Federated
20 States of Micronesia, hence, it is important that this Nation

1 maintain, not only a close working relationship, but an active
2 involvement in the workings of IOM; and

3 WHEREAS, by becoming a member of the IOM, the Federated
4 States of Micronesia will gain access to a wider range of networks
5 of international partners that IOM has already established over
6 the years; and

7 WHEREAS, membership in the IOM requires a financial
8 commitment which is minimal, compared to the potential benefits
9 that can be derived out of the partnership; now, therefore,

10 BE IT RESOLVED by the Seventeenth Congress of the Federated
11 States of Micronesia, Second Regular Session, 2011, that the
12 President of the Federated States of Micronesia is requested to
13 take such steps as are necessary in order for the Federated States
14 of Micronesia to become a member of the International Organization
15 for Migration; and

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copy of this resolution
17 be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of
18 Micronesia.

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20 Date: 9/19/11

Introduced by: /s/ Florencio S. Harper

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