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Relative to the immediate implementation of the cherished goal of political re-integration of the Marianas Islands pursuant to Articles 73 and 76 of the Charter of the United Nations, and Article 9 of the Trusteeship Agreement.

1 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE TERRITORY OF GUAM:

2 WHEREAS, previous discussions, petitions, resolutions and  
3 referenda dealing with the desire of the people of the Marianas  
4 to be re-integrated within one government have relied on the  
5 common history, culture, religion, and similar affinities of  
6 the Chamorro peoples living in the Marianas, and while these  
7 reasons are no doubt compelling and convincing, they are not  
8 necessarily a legal basis for such re-integration; and

9 WHEREAS, all civilized nations of the world have banded  
10 together in a world organization known as the United Nations,  
11 the Charter of which has been approved by all such nations,  
12 including the United States which under its Constitution has  
13 made said Charter the law of the land since it was approved by  
14 the Senate as a treaty to which the United States is a party;  
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1           WHEREAS, Guam is considered by the United Nations to be  
2 a non-self-governing territory by virtue of its citizens'  
3 inability to participate in national elections and the current  
4 lack of the power to elect their own chief executive, and there-  
5 fore Article 73 of the United Nations Charter applies specifi-  
6 cally to Guam, which Article reads as follows:

7           "Members of the United Nations which have or assume  
8 responsibilities for the administration of territories  
9 whose peoples have not yet attained a full measure of  
10 self-government recognize the principle that the interests  
11 of the inhabitants of these territories are paramount, and  
12 accept as a sacred trust the obligation to promote to the  
13 utmost, within the system of international peace and  
14 security established by the present Charter, the well-  
15 being of the inhabitants of these territories, and, in this  
16 end:

17           a. To ensure, with due respect for the culture  
18 of the peoples concerned, their political, economic,  
19 social, and educational advancement, their just  
20 treatment, and their protection against abuses;

21           b. to develop self-government, to take due account  
22 of the political aspirations of the peoples, and to  
23 assist them in the progressive development of their  
24 free political institutions, according to the parti-  
25 cular circumstances of each territory and its peoples  
26 and their varying stages of advancements;

27           c. to further international peace and security;

28           d. to promote constructive measures of develop-  
29 ment, to encourage research, and to co-operate with one

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another and, when and where appropriate, with specialized international bodies with a view to the practical achievement of the social, economic, and scientific purposes set forth in this Article; and

e. to transmit regularly to the Secretary-General for information purposes, subject to such limitation as security and constitutional considerations may require, statistical and other information of a technical nature relating to economic, social, and educational conditions in the territories which they are respectively responsible other than those territories to which Chapters XII and XIII apply"; and

WHEREAS, the other islands of the Marianas are within the trusteeship provisions of the Charter and specifically Article 76 thereof which reads as follows:

"The basic objectives of the trusteeship system, in accordance with the purposes of the United Nations laid down in Article 1 of the present Charter, shall be:

- a. To further international peace and security;
- b. to promote the political, economic, social, and educational advancement of the inhabitants of the trust territories, and their progressive development towards self-government or independence as may be appropriate to the particular circumstances of each territory and its peoples and the freely expressed wishes of the peoples concerned, and as may be provided by the terms of each trusteeship agreement;
- c. to encourage respect for human rights and for

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1 fundamental freedom for all without distinction as  
2 to race, sex, languages, or religion, and to encourage  
3 recognition of the interdependence of the peoples  
4 of the world; and

5 d. to ensure equal treatment in social, economic,  
6 and commercial matters for all members of the United  
7 Nations and their nationals, and also equal treatment  
8 for the latter in the administration of justice,  
9 without prejudice to the attainment of the foregoing  
10 objectives and subject to the provisions of Article  
11 80"; and

12 WHEREAS, in addition, Article 9 of the Trusteeship Agree-  
13 ment between the United States and the United Nations contains  
14 the following provisions:

15 "The administrating authority shall be entitled to  
16 constitute the trust territory into a customs, fiscal,  
17 or administrative union or federation with other territo-  
18 ries under United States jurisdiction and to establish  
19 common services between such territories and the trust  
20 territory where such measures are not inconsistent with  
21 the basic objectives of the International Trusteeship  
22 System and with the terms of this agreement"; and

23 WHEREAS, in reading these three provisions it is unmis-  
24 takably clear that the peoples of the Marianas, both in Guam  
25 and in the other islands, have the right as guaranteed by the  
26 Charter to develop self-government within their common political  
27 aspiration, namely within the same governmental framework, which  
28 common aspiration has not only been established by numerous  
29 resolutions of this body, but also by a resolution from the

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1 Marianas Legislature addressed to the United Nations, and there-  
2 fore it is the consensus of the Legislature that instead of  
3 again and again attempting to convince doubting outsiders that  
4 the peoples of the Marianas deserve re-integration on some  
5 moral or historical basis, immediate steps should be taken to  
6 implement the clear legal right the people of the Marianas have,  
7 by virtue of the Charter of the United Nations, and by virtue  
8 of the Trusteeship Agreement to obtain political re-integration;  
9 now therefore be it

10 RESOLVED, that the Tenth Guam Legislature does hereby  
11 assert and declare on behalf of the people of Guam that by  
12 virtue of the provisions of the Charter of the United Nations  
13 the people of the Marianas, both in Guam and in the other  
14 islands, have the clear legal right to obtain political re-  
15 integration and that immediate steps should be taken to implement  
16 this right; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State and the Ambassador  
18 of the United States to the United Nations be and they are  
19 hereby respectfully requested, petitioned and memorialized to  
20 advise the Legislature and the people of Guam as to the reaction  
21 of the United States Government, as trustee for the Northern  
22 Marianas, to this joint call of re-integration within the frame-  
23 work of the territory of Guam, and to support in the United  
24 Nations and before the councils thereof the position of the  
25 people of the Marianas, both in Guam and in the other islands,  
26 with respect to such political re-integration; and be it further

27 RESOLVED, that the Speaker certify to and the Legislative  
28 Secretary attest the adoption hereof and that copies of the same  
29 be thereafter transmitted to the Secretary-General of the United


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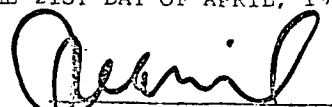
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1 Nations, to the Secretary of the State, to the Secretary of the  
2 Interior, to the Presiding Officer, Marianas District Legisla-  
3 ture, to the Speaker, Saipan Legislature, to the Presiding  
4 Officer, Tinian Council, to the Presiding Officer, Rota Council,  
5 to the Mayor of Saipan, to the Mayor of Tinian, to the Mayor of  
6 Rota, to Guam's Washington Representative, and to the Governor  
7 of Guam.

DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED ON THE 21ST DAY OF APRIL, 1969.

  
JAMES T. SABLAN  
Legislative Secretary

  
JOAQUIN C. ARRIOLA  
Speaker

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