

THIRD CONGRESS, 1969

REGULAR SESSION

S. J. R. NO. 20

A SPECIAL JOINT RESOLUTION

Endorsing in principle the recommendations of the Future Political Status Commission of the Congress of Micronesia with respect to the ultimate constitutional and political status of Micronesia and its people.

1 WHEREAS, the Congress of Micronesia on August 5, 1967, authorized  
2 the creation of the Future Political Status Commission of the Congress  
3 of Micronesia; and

4 WHEREAS, the aforesaid Status Commission was charged with the duty  
5 of studying and critically assessing the political alternatives open to  
6 Micronesians with respect to their ultimate constitutional and political  
7 status; and

8 WHEREAS, the Status Commission traveled extensively both within  
9 and without the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, conducted  
10 interviews and discussions both by members of the Status Commission among  
11 themselves and with people from all walks of life, and studied and  
12 analyzed exhaustively the information so compiled; and

13 WHEREAS, as a result of the Status Commission's study, hearings, and  
14 consideration of all points of view, the final report of the Status  
15 Commission appears to represent the sense of this Congress and the people  
16 of Micronesia as a whole; now, therefore,

17 BE IT RECORDED by the Senate of the Third Congress of Micronesia,  
18 Second Regular Session, 1969, the House of Representatives concurring,  
19 that by means of this Joint Resolution and on behalf of the people of  
20 Micronesia the recommendations and the position taken by the Future  
21 Political Status Commission of the Congress be and the same are hereby  
22 enforced in principle; and

23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Joint  
24 Resolution be transmitted to the Security Council and Trusteeship  
25 Council of the United Nations; to the President of the United States;

1 the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Repre-  
2 sentatives of the United States Congress; to the Secretary of the  
3 Interior; to the Secretary of Defense; to the Secretary of State;  
4 and to the High Commissioner of the Trust Territory.

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6 Date: 5/2/59

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THIRD CONGRESS, 1960

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

S. R. NO. 7

A SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

Requesting the President and the Congress of the United States to consider seriously the future political status of Micronesia.

1 WHEREAS, by virtue of the Trusteeship Agreement between the  
 2 United States and the Security Council of the United Nations, the  
 3 United States has undertaken in Micronesia to foster the development  
 4 of such political institutions as are suited to the trust territory  
 5 and...to promote the development of the inhabitants of the trust  
 6 territory toward self-government or independence as may be appro-  
 7 priate to the particular circumstances of the trust territory and  
 8 its peoples and the freely expressed wishes of the peoples concerned;  
 9 and

10 WHEREAS, the Future Political Status Commission of the Congress  
 11 of Micronesia has for the past two years conducted a study of political  
 12 alternatives which may be open to Micronesians with respect to their  
 13 future political status, and has submitted its final report to this  
 14 session of the Congress in accordance with law; and

15 WHEREAS, proposals have been advanced by the President of the  
 16 United States and considered by the United States Congress for the  
 17 creation of a United States Commission to consider the future status  
 18 of the Micronesian people but these proposals have not yet led to the  
 19 actual creation of such a Commission by the United States Government;  
 20 and

21 WHEREAS, the Micronesian people are today ever more anxious than  
 22 ever before of seeing a decision on their future status but believe  
 23 sincerely that such a decision must be reached by the joint efforts of  
 24 their representatives and those of the United States; now, therefore,

25 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Third Congress of Micronesia,

1 Second Regular Session, 1969, the House of Representatives concurring,  
2 that the President and the Congress of the United States are urgently  
3 requested to give serious consideration to the future political status  
4 of Micronesia and the ways in which this status should be finally  
5 resolved; and

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Joint Reso-  
7 lution be transmitted to the President of the United States and the  
8 President of the United States Senate and the Speaker of the United  
9 States House of Representatives.

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THIRD CONGRESS, 1955

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

S. B. NO. 75

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To create a Micronesian Political Status Delegation to the United States to confer with members of the United States Congress and with other members of the United States Government with a view toward seeking an early resolution of the future political status for Micronesia; to appropriate money therefor and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA:

1 Section 1. There is hereby created a Political Status Delegation  
2 to the United States, consisting of not more than ten members of the  
3 Congress of Micronesia to be appointed jointly by the President of the  
4 Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Such appointment  
5 shall be made upon the approval of this act. All members of the Delegation  
6 shall by majority vote elect a chairman and a vice-chairman during  
7 its first meeting.

8 Section 2. The Delegation shall appear through such of its members  
9 as it shall designate before the United States Congress or any member or  
10 committee thereof or before any bureau or department or officer of the  
11 United States Government. It shall actively seek, support, and press for  
12 an early resolution and determination of the future political status of  
13 Micronesia or in connection with United States legislation regarding the  
14 same. It shall further take part in preliminary discussions regarding  
15 the relations which shall in the future prevail between Micronesia and the  
16 United States and the specific provisions of law and other measures which  
17 shall serve to formalize these relations.

18 Section 3. In carrying out the aforesaid mission, the Delegation and  
19 all its members shall to the best of their ability adhere to the desires  
20 and policies of the Congress of Micronesia, as expressed by resolutions  
21 or otherwise.

22 Section 4. Actions of the Delegation shall be subject to the subsequent  
23 ratification of the Congress of Micronesia.

24 Section 5. The sum of \$40,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
25 is hereby appropriated out of the general fund of the Congress of

1 Micronesia not otherwise appropriated for the purpose of carrying out  
2 the provisions of this act. The sum herein appropriated shall be expended  
3 at the request, direction, and approval of the Chairman of the Delegation.  
4 A portion of this sum may be set aside and used at the direction of the  
5 Chairman as representation fund. The term "representation fund" as used  
6 herein shall be broadly construed to the end that the purposes of this  
7 act may be fully served. All unencumbered and unused balances shall re-  
8 vert to the General Fund of the Congress of Micronesia.

9 Section 6. Any expenses of the Delegation incurred by any appearance  
10 under the provisions of Section 2 of this act, or incurred at the request  
11 of the Delegation or its Chairman shall be paid from the appropriation  
12 herein provided. Each member of the Delegation shall be entitled to receive  
13 per diem at standard rate from the funds appropriated by this act. The  
14 Delegation shall have power to appoint such technical, administrative,  
15 clerical, and stenographic assistants as it deems necessary for the ef-  
16 fectuation of its purposes and at such level of salaries as it considers  
17 appropriate. The Delegation may contract for legal, technical, and other  
18 services which may be deemed necessary or advisable to better effectuate  
19 its powers and duties on such terms and conditions and for such compensa-  
20 tion or fees as the Delegation may see fit.

21 Section 7. This act shall take effect upon approval by the High  
22 Commissioner, or upon its becoming law without such approval.

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24 Date: 7/21/69

Introduced by: Lazarus Saiti