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SUBJECT: TEXT OF RESOLUTION ON TINIAN HOMESTEADING
FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF RESOLUTION NO. 1-1973 INTRODUCED AT
CURRENT SESSION OF MARIANAS DISTRICT LEGISLATURE BY HON HERMAN M.
MANGLONA, TINIAN, AND HON VICENTE N. SANTOS, SAIPAN:
BEGIN TEXT. A RESOLUTION RELATIVE TO OPPOSING THE UNILATERAL
DECLARATION OF A MORATORIUM ON THE DEVELOPMENT AND THE FULL UTILIZA-
TION OF TINIAN BY ITS INHABITANTS
WHEREAS: ACCORDING TO THE INFORMATION RECEIVED BY THE PEOPLE
OF TINIAN, OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON, D. C. HAVE INSTRUCTED THE TRUST

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TERRITORY GOVERNMENT TO CEASE ISSUING HOMESTEAD PERMITS TO THE INHABITANTS OF TINIAN AND TO STOP THE LEASING OF PUBLIC LAND TO NON-MICRONESIAN COMPANIES TO ESTABLISH BUSINESS ENTERPRISES ON TINIAN; AND

WHEREAS, THE ANNOUNCED MORATORIUM ON THE ISSUANCE OF HOMESTEAD AND TO CEASE LEASING PUBLIC LAND FOR DEVELOPMENT WAS MADE WHILE NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT AND THE MARIANAS POLITICAL STATUS COMMISSION ARE CONTINUING, BUT WITHOUT ANY NOTICE TO OR CONSULTATION WITH MEMBERS OF THE MARIANAS POLITICAL STATUS COMMISSION OR THIS LEGISLATURE; AND WHEREAS, WE CONSIDER THIS UNILATERAL MORATORIUM TO BE A BREACH

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OF GOOD FAITH AND THE SPIRIT OF COOPERATION THAT EXISTED BETWEEN THE STATUS NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND THE MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT; AND

WHEREAS, WHILE WE CAN UNDERSTAND AND APPRECIATE THE CONCERN OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT IN NOT WANTING TO UNDULY INCREASE LAND ACQUISITION COSTS IN THE EVENT THAT FINAL AGREEMENT IS REACHED ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF TINIAN ISLAND INTO A MILITARY BASE, THE RESULTING DISADVANTAGES TO THE INHABITANTS OF TINIAN WOULD BE DETERMINED; AND

WHEREAS, AT THIS POINT IN TIME, IT IS NOT AT ALL CERTAIN THAT AN AGREEMENT ON THE USE OF TINIAN WILL BE REACHED, IN THE EVENT THAT THE UNITED STATES SHOULD CANCEL THE PLANS TO PUT A BASE ON TINIAN, IRREPARABLE DAMAGE WILL RESULT TO THE INHABITANTS WHO HAVE BEEN FORCED TO RELY ON THE MILITARY BASE WILL HAVE LOST ALL OF THE POTENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES TO DEVELOP THEIR ISLAND; AND

WHEREAS, DUE PROCESS, THE FOUNDATION OF AMERICAN DEMOCRACY, IS BEING BLATANTLY AND FLAGRANTLY DENIED THE PEOPLE OF TINIAN, WHO HAVE

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AN INHERENT RIGHT TO HAVE THEIR OPINIONS ON WHAT WILL OR WILL NOT BE DONE ON THEIR ISLAND; NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE 4TH MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT LEGISLATURE THAT OUR OPPOSITION TO THE UNILATERAL DECLARATION OF A

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INHABITANTS BE AND HEREBY IS EXPRESSED; AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT THE PRESIDENT CERTIFY TO AND THE

LEGISLATIVE SECRETARY ATTEST THE ADOPTION HEREOF AND THEREAFTER TRANSFER

COPIES OF THE SAME TO THE SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR, THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE, CHAIRMAN

SENATE INTERIOR AND INSULAR AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, CHAIRMAN, HOUSE INTERIOR

AND INSULAR AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, AMBASSADOR FRANKLIN HAYDN WILLIAMS, TO THE

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, THE MARIANAS POLITICAL STATUS

COMMISSION, AND THE MARIANAS DELEGATION OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA

PASSED BY THE 4TH. MARIANA ISLANDS DISTRICT LEGISLATURE AUGUST 1973. TRENT

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