

FIFTH CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA
Second Regular Session
January 14 — March 4, 1974

**A SENATE JOINT
RESOLUTION**

Requesting the United States of America to grant greater administrative control and political autonomy to the people and government of Micronesia.

OFFERED BY SENATOR Andon Anarich

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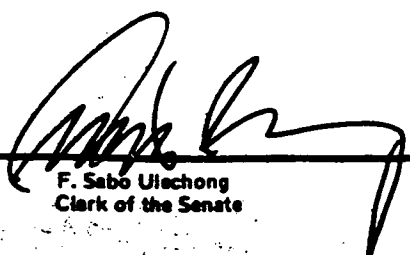
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Congress of Micronesia

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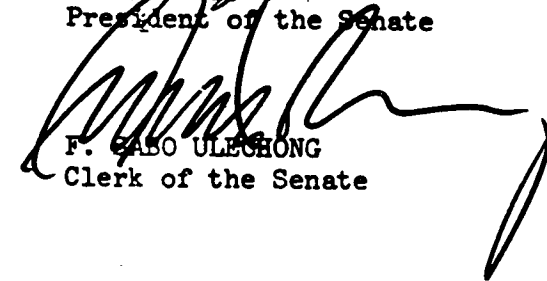
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We hereby certify that the foregoing Joint Resolution was adopted in the Senate of the Congress of Micronesia, Fifth Congress, Second Regular Session, 1974, by a majority vote of the members of the Senate present, a quorum being present.


TOSIWO NAKAYAMA
President of the Senate



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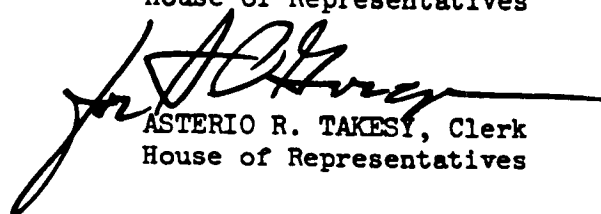
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THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE CONGRESS OF MICRONESIA

We hereby certify that the foregoing Joint Resolution was adopted in the House of Representatives of the Congress of Micronesia, Fifth Congress, Second Regular Session, 1974, by a majority vote of the members of the House present, a quorum being present.


BETHWEL HENRY, Speaker
House of Representatives


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House of Representatives

A SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

Requesting the United States of America to grant greater administrative control and political autonomy to the people and government of Micronesia.

1 WHEREAS, the United States of America as an Administering
2 Authority of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands obligated
3 itself pursuant to the Trusteeship Agreement between the United
4 States and the United Nations to promote self-government in the
5 Trust Territory and in that respect to exercise and to have "all
6 executive, legislative, and judicial authority necessary for the
7 civil administration of the Trust Territory"; and

8 WHEREAS, pursuant to and in accordance with its constitutional
9 process, the United States of America decided that the purposes of
10 the Trusteeship Agreement governing the Trust Territory of the
11 Pacific Islands could best be effectuated by placing in the
12 President of the United States, and through him the Secretary of
13 the Interior, responsibility for the civil administration of all
14 of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands; and

15 WHEREAS, responsibility for the administration of civil
16 government in all of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands,
17 and all executive, legislative, and judicial authority necessary
18 for that administration vested in the Secretary of the Department
19 of the Interior have been redelegated and are now exercised by the
20 High Commissioner, the Congress of Micronesia, and the High Court
21 of the Trust Territory, respectively; and

22 WHEREAS, under the redelegation of authority for the governance

1 of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, the Government of
2 the Trust Territory is by law specifically denied and deprived of
3 the power and authority to control and regulate air and sea
4 transportation systems, the power to enact laws which may not
5 necessarily be in harmony with the policies and laws of the United
6 States, United States Presidential and Secretarial Orders,
7 international treaties and agreements to which the United States
8 is a party, and certain other laws relating to civil rights and
9 liberties; and

10 WHEREAS, the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands has been
11 under American governance and tutelage for nearly 30 years and it
12 has been only recently that any meaningful and progressive dialogue
13 has taken place to prepare Micronesians towards the time when they
14 will be able to decide on their future political and constitutional
15 status; and

16 WHEREAS, the Trusteeship Council of the United Nations, and
17 members of the United States Congress have in the past urged that
18 the Administering Authority grant increasing authority to the
19 people of Micronesia to hasten the process of self-determination
20 and self-government; and

21 WHEREAS, on January 23, 1974 the Honorable Rogers C. B. Morton,
22 Secretary of the Department of the Interior addressed the people of
23 Micronesia in a statement which said in part:

24 "You, the people of Micronesia are moving toward a new era
25 of political self-reliance and increased economic self-

1 sufficiency. You must be ready to accept the responsibilities
2 that will come with these development. At the same time, the
3 government of the United States must and will do everything
4 possible to provide you with the tools and skills to help
5 you in assuming these responsibilities and in chartering a
6 new course of a self-governing people."; and

7 WHEREAS, specific steps and programs should now be undertaken
8 to progressively give Micronesians the opportunity to run their
9 own government; now, therefore,

10 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Fifth Congress of Micronesia,
11 Second Regular Session, 1974, the House of Representatives concurring,
12 that the United States of America is respectfully requested to grant
13 greater administrative control and political autonomy to the people
14 and Government of Micronesia by acceding to the following:

15 (1) the election by popular vote of the High Commissioner
16 and the Deputy High Commissioner of the Trust Territory;

17 (2) the appointment of the Justices of the High Court
18 upon approval of the Congress of Micronesia through the exercise
19 of its authority of advice and consent;

20 (3) the granting of plenary power and authority to the
21 Government of the Trust Territory to conclude or dissolve contracts
22 or arrangements for any and all sea and air transportation services
23 to, from, and within Micronesia;

24 (4) the granting of the authority to the Congress of
25 Micronesia to override the exercise of the power of disapproval

1 of legislation by the High Commissioner when such legislation affects
2 the internal affairs and matters of the Trust Territory of the
3 Pacific Islands;

4 (5) the granting of complete authority to the Trust
5 Territory Government to allocate and apportion all United States
6 federal grant funds among the various program departments and
7 capital improvement projects in the Trust Territory; and

8 (6) the elimination of the necessity or requirement that
9 the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands must operate under an
10 appropriation ceiling with regard to annual grant fund appropriations;
11 and

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Joint
13 Resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States
14 of America; the Secretaries of the Departments of State and the
15 Interior; the Presidents of the Security and Trusteeship Councils
16 of the United Nations; the President and the Speaker of the United
17 States Congress; the Chairman of the House Subcommittee on
18 Territorial and Insular Affairs and the Chairman of the Senate
19 Subcommittee on Territories and Insular Affairs of the United
20 States Congress; the Chairmen of the House and Senate Committees
21 on Appropriations of the United States Congress; and the High
22 Commissioner.

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24 Adopted: March 4, 1974

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