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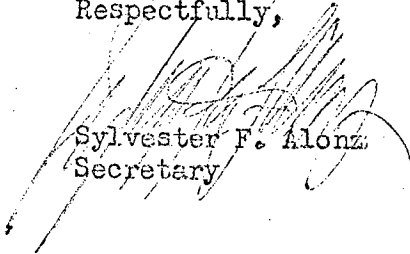
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The President of the United States
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

I transmit herewith a certified copy of Resolution No. 70(1)-9,
which was adopted by the Palau Legislature.

Respectfully,


Sylvester F. Alonz
Secretary

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FOURTH PALAU LEGISLATURE

Resolution No. 70(1)-9

Fifth Regular Session, April 1970

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Fifth Regular Session, April 1970

A RESOLUTION

Commending High Commissioner Edward E. Johnston and his administration for their efforts to decentralize many of the activities of the Trust Territory Government, to increase the involvement of Micronesians in the Legislative Branch of the Government in determining the programs and policies of the Government at both the district and territorial levels, and to increase the number of Micronesians in key positions in the Executive Branch of the Government who are responsible for implementing the programs and policies that are established by the Legislative Branch of the Government.

1 WHEREAS, Micronesia has been under the Administration of the United
2 States for over twenty-five years; and

3 WHEREAS, despite the obligation it undertook in the Trusteeship
4 Agreement to promote the development of the inhabitants of the Trust
5 Territory toward self-government or independence, the Administering
6 Authority has been extremely reluctant over the past years to give
7 Micronesians a true voice in the Government in Micronesia; and

8 WHEREAS, since High Commissioner Edward E. Johnston took office, the
9 new Administration, under the direction and guidance of Secretary of
10 Interior Walter J. Hickel, has taken vigorous strides to accelerate the
11 rate of political development in Micronesia; and

12 WHEREAS, the new Administration has managed to achieve an unprecedented
13 level of funding for the Trust Territory, enabling it to undertake a highly
14 accelerated capital improvement program, and at the same time has taken
15 initial steps to involve not only the Congress of Micronesia, but also
16 the District Legislatures, in the Trust Territory Government budgetary
17 process; and

18 WHEREAS, for the first time in the history of the District Administra-
19 tion in Palau, Palauan citizens have been appointed by High Commissioner
20 Johnston to serve in both of the top two executive positions in the Palau
21 District, an indication that for the first time the District Administration

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20 Johnston to serve in both of the top two executive positions in the Palau
21 District, an indication that for the first time the District Administration
22 in Palau will be truly responsive to the needs of the people in the
23 district; and

24 WHEREAS, the appointment of Palauan District Administrator has
25 already significantly increased the spirit and cooperation between the
26 District Administration and the Palau Legislature and the people of Palau;
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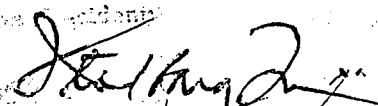

WHEREAS, it is expected that more significant changes for the improvement and development of the Palau District will result from the continued decentralization of policy decisions and activities to the district; and

WHEREAS, the increased cooperation and effectiveness of the District Administration in the Palau District is concrete evidence that High Commissioner Edward E. Johnston and his administration are truly dedicated to progress and development in the Palau District that is responsive to the needs and desires of the people of the Palau District; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Fourth Palau Legislature, Fifth Regular Session, April, 1970, that High Commissioner Edward E. Johnston and his administration be and are hereby commended for their efforts to decentralize many of the activities of the Trust Territory Government, to increase the involvement of Micronesians in the Legislative Branch of the Government in determining the programs and policies of the Government at both the district and territorial levels, and to increase the number of Micronesians in key positions in the Executive Branch of the Government who are responsible for implementing the programs and policies that are established by the Legislative Branch of the Government; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States of America, the United Nations Trusteeship Council, the Secretary of Interior Walter J. Hickel, the High Commissioner Edward E. Johnston, and the District Administrator Thomas C. Remengesau.

Adopted April 21, 1970

By: 
Itelbang Luli, Speaker
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Staff Assistant
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Secretary

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REFERRAL

To: **The Secretary of the Interior**

Date: **June 1, 1970**

ACTION REQUESTED

- Draft reply for:
- President's signature.
- Undersigned's signature.

- Memorandum for use as enclosure to reply.

- Direct reply.
- Furnish information copy.

- Suitable acknowledgment or other appropriate handling.
- Furnish copy of reply, if any.

- For your information.

- For comment.

NOTE

Prompt action is essential.

If more than 48 hours' delay is encountered, please telephone the undersigned immediately, Code 1450.

Basic correspondence should be returned when draft reply, memorandum, or comment is requested.

REMARKS:

Description:

Letter: Telegram: Other:

To: **The President**
 From: **Sylvester F. Alonz, Secy, Palau Legislature, Koror, Western Caroline Islands**
 Date: **5/20/70**
 Subject: **Attaching certified copy of resolution commending efforts of High Commissioner Edward E. Johnston for efforts decentralize many of activities of Trust Territory Govt.**

By direction of the President:

Noble M. Melencamp
Staff Assistant
to the President

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