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Relative to extending humble and sincere condolences, on behalf of the people of Guam, to the family of the late Honorable Resio S. Moses, Vice Speaker of the Fifteenth (15th) Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, and political visionary of Micronesia, on his untimely passing.

1 **BE IT RESOLVED BY I MINA'TRENTA NA LIHESLATURAN**
2 **GUÅHAN:**

3 **WHEREAS**, the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, through
4 a Presidential Proclamation, informed the people of Guam of the passing of
5 the late Honorable Resio S. Moses, Vice Speaker and *Dauk* of *U* of Pohnpei
6 State on Monday, June 22, 2009; and

7 **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Resio S. Moses is survived by his wife,
8 the former Susan Rice of Illinois, and their four (4) children: Esmond, Tanya,
9 Resio "Sammy" Moses, Jr. and Rachel; and

10 **WHEREAS**, Resio S. Moses is a name in Micronesia that has become
11 synonymous with words such as independence, statehood and leadership, but
12 the name is most especially revered as that of a man of strong and
13 unwavering principles; and

14 **WHEREAS**, the legacy of the late Honorable Resio S. Moses spans two
15 (2) major eras in Micronesian history: the era during which the island nations
16 in the Micronesian archipelago were a part of the Trust Territory of the Pacific
17 Islands under the United States' administration, as well as the current
18 Micronesian era, where each Micronesian island nation chose its own destiny
19 to either remain with the United States or became a sovereign, self governing
20 nation. The late Honorable Resio S. Moses played a major role in both; and

21 **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Resio S. Moses' rich background is
22 rivaled only by his varied experiences, which encompassed a range of fields

1 that included serving as a student service coordinator, an educator, and a
2 College President; he was an administrator of community services, the District
3 Administrator of Pohnpei District, and Governor of the State of Pohnpei; he
4 was a member of the Micronesian Commission on the Future Political Status
5 of Micronesia, the top diplomat of the FSM as a sovereign nation, and the
6 Federated States of Micronesia's Ambassador to the United Nations; and
7 represented Pohnpei as a District in the Congress of Micronesia, and he
8 represented the entire State of Pohnpei in the Congress of the Federated States
9 of Micronesia; and

10 **WHEREAS**, while the late Honorable Resio S. Moses' background and
11 experiences are extraordinary for one individual, his main legacy may well be
12 the pivotal role he played in the foundation of the Federated States of
13 Micronesia as a nation. During the United States government's administration
14 of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands, Resio Moses served as a District
15 Administrator for the Pohnpei District, and eventually as one of Pohnpei
16 District's representatives to the Congress of Micronesia - the leaders who
17 envisioned independence and sovereignty for the Micronesian Islands. They
18 laid the foundation for the inception and eventual realization of the Federated
19 States of Micronesia; and

20 **WHEREAS**, when the Federated States of Micronesia became a self
21 governing nation, the late Honorable Resio Moses was again at the frontline of
22 nation building, first by being a Governor, of the new State of Pohnpei and


1 serving his duty in two (2) consecutive terms. Completing his gubernatorial
2 tenure, Resio Moses moved to the National Government where he took on the
3 position of Secretary for the Department of External Affairs. He went on from
4 Secretary of External Affairs to become the Federated States of Micronesia's
5 Ambassador to the United Nations, where he was instrumental in the
6 establishment of diplomatic and bilateral relations with numerous countries
7 and world organizations; and

8 **WHEREAS**, the late Honorable Resio S. Moses moved from the
9 Executive Branch and became a member of the 10th Federated States of
10 Micronesia Congress in 1997, and has since then been a member until his
11 passing on Monday, June 22, 2009. Throughout his parliamentarian years, he
12 has been a Chairman, Vice Chairman and a member of the various
13 Congressional committees at one time or another. During the 15th FSM
14 Congress he was seated as its Vice Speaker and was recently reelected to the
15 same role during the re-organization of the new 16th FSM Congress on May
16 11, 2009; and the following month after the re-organization, Vice Speaker
17 Resio S. Moses was called to his eternal rest; now, therefore, be it

18 **RESOLVED**, that *I Mina'Trenta Na Liheslaturan Guåhan* does hereby, on
19 behalf of the people of Guam, express its sincere condolences to the people of
20 the State of Pohnpei, Federated States of Micronesia, and more importantly, to
21 his wife Susan and their four (4) children, Esmond, Tanya, Resio Moses Jr.
22 (Sammy), and Rachel; and to his many lovely grandchildren; and, be it further

1 **RESOLVED**, that the Speaker certify, and the Legislative Secretary
2 attest to, the adoption hereof, and that copies of the same be thereafter
3 transmitted to the family of the late Honorable Resio Moses; to the Honorable
4 Emanuel (Manny) Mori, President of the Federated States of Micronesia; to the
5 Honorable John Ehsa, Governor, State of Pohnpei; to the Honorable
6 Madeleine Z. Bordallo, Member of Congress, U.S. House of Representatives;
7 and to the Honorable Felix P. Camacho, *I Maga'lahaen Guåhan*.

**DULY AND REGULARLY ADOPTED BY I MINA'TRENTA NA
LIHESLATURAN GUÅHAN ON THIS 30TH DAY OF JUNE 2009.**



BENJAMIN J.F. CRUZ
Acting Speaker



TINA ROSE MUÑA BARNES
Legislative Secretary