

A RESOLUTION

Ratify the Treaty between the Federated States of Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands concerning Maritime Boundaries and Cooperation on Related matters.

1 WHEREAS, the jurisdiction over certain territory and waters
2 of the Federated States of Micronesia is set forth in Article I of
3 the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia and further
4 elaborated upon in Title 18 of the Code of the Federated States of
5 Micronesia, including assertion of an exclusive economic zone
6 extending for 200 miles outward from baselines;

7 WHEREAS, the Constitution of the Federated States of
8 Micronesia permits limitations of jurisdiction over waters
9 pursuant to international treaty obligations;

10 WHEREAS, the exclusive economic zones of the Federated States
11 of Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands are
12 overlapping in some areas;

13 WHEREAS, the international practice in this circumstance is
14 to negotiate a treaty establishing the boundaries of each nation's
15 waters;

16 WHEREAS, the Treaty between the Federated States of
17 Micronesia and the Republic of the Marshall Islands concerning
18 Maritime Boundaries and Cooperation on Related matters establishes
19 a line of delimitation between the exclusive zones and the
20 continental shelves over which each nation respectively exercises
21 sovereign right;

