

A RESOLUTION

Expressing the heartfelt sadness and condolences of the Sixteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia at the passing of Dr. Catalino Cantero, the first Secretary for the FSM Department of Education of the Federated States of Micronesia.

1 WHEREAS, Dr. Catalino Cantero passed away on Saturday,
2 January 16, 2010, at his residence in Awak, U Municipality,
3 Pohnpei State; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Catalino Cantero was a native of U municipality
5 in the State of Pohnpei; and

6 WHEREAS, Dr. Catalino Cantero was an instrumental figure in
7 the shaping of education in the Federated States of Micronesia for
8 more than fifteen years; and

9 WHEREAS, Dr. Catalino Cantero earned his BA degree in social
10 psychology from Northern Michigan University, Marquette, a masters
11 degree in social work from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor,
12 and a Ph.D. in educational administration from Ohio University,
13 Athens, where he was a Fullbright Scholar; and

14 WHEREAS, DR. Catalino Cantero became the first Micronesian to
15 earn his doctorate degree, the highest award in the educational
16 world; and

17 WHEREAS, Dr. Catalino Cantero began his long career in
18 education with the Pohnpei State Department of Education as
19 Scholarship and Testing Coordinator from 1973 to 1978; and

20 WHEREAS, Dr. Catalino Cantero continued his service as the
21 Assistant Land Grant Officer for the College of Micronesia from

1 1981 to 1982, the President of the Community College of Micronesia
2 from 1983 to 1988, the Assistant Secretary for the Department of
3 Education from 1988 to 1993, the Secretary of the Department of
4 Education from 1993 to 1998; and as Deputy Secretary for the FSM
5 Department of Health, Education & Social Affairs from 1998 to
6 1999; and

7 WHEREAS, Dr. Catalino Cantero also served as a member the of
8 COM-FSM Board of Regents, and in many other capacities, including
9 as Chairman of the Pohnpei Scholarship Board, FSM Delegate Leader
10 to the 5th Far East and South Pacific Islands Games in Kobe, Japan,
11 a Voting Member on the Accrediting Commission for Community and
12 Junior Colleges of the Western Association of Schools and
13 Colleges, and as the Keynote Speaker of the Asian-Pacific
14 Parliamentarian Scholars' Convention in Tokyo, Japan in 1984; and

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Catalino Cantero held the traditional title of
16 Aronsed U, and was a well respected member of his community; now,
17 therefore,

18 BE IT RESOLVED by the Sixteenth Congress of the Federated
19 States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2010, that the
20 Congress, on behalf of the people of the Federated States of
21 Micronesia, wishes to express to the family and friends of Dr.
22 Catalino Cantero its sadness and condolences at his passing and
23 gratitude for his service to our country; and

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States
3 of Micronesia and to the family of Dr. Catalino Cantero.

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5 Date: 2/15/10

Introduced by: /s/ Fredrico O. Primo

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