

A RESOLUTION

To ratify the Treaty Between the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia and the Government of the United States of America on the Delimitation of a Maritime Boundary.

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
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 up to 200 nautical miles outward from baselines; and

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

10 WHEREAS, the maritime jurisdiction between Federated States
11 of Micronesia and the United States of America (Guam) overlap in
12 some areas; and

13 WHEREAS, the international practice in this circumstance is
14 for the parties to negotiate a maritime boundary delimitation
15 treaty, which the Federated States of Micronesia and the United
16 States of America have done so; and

17 WHEREAS, the negotiated treaty between the Federated States
18 of Micronesia and the United States of America establishes a line
19 of delimitation between their respective maritime jurisdiction on
20 the basis of equidistance; and

1 WHEREAS, the two Nations signed the maritime boundary
2 delimitation treaty on August 1, 2014, in Koror, Palau; now
3 therefore,

4 BE IT RESOLVED by the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated
5 States of Micronesia, Fifth Regular Session, 2014, that Congress
6 hereby ratifies the Treaty Between the Government of the Federated
7 States of Micronesia and the Government of the United States of
8 America on the Delimitation of a Maritime Boundary; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
10 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States
11 of Micronesia.

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13 Date: 9/19/14

Introduced by: /s/ Florencio S. Harper
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(by request)

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