

A RESOLUTION

Ratifying as a treaty the Agreement Establishing the Pacific Islands Forum.

1 WHEREAS, in 2005 the Government of the Federated States of
2 Micronesia signed the Agreement Establishing the Pacific Islands
3 Forum (the "Agreement"); and

4 WHEREAS, the Agreement establishes the Pacific Islands Forum
5 of which the Federated States of Micronesia is a regular member;
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7 WHEREAS, the purpose of the Pacific Islands Forum is to
8 strengthen regional cooperation and integration, including through
9 the pooling of regional resources of governance and the alignment
10 of policies, in order to further Forum member's shared goals of
11 economic growth, sustainable development, good governance and
12 security; and

13 WHEREAS, the members of the Pacific Islands Forum are
14 Australia, the Cook Islands, the Republic of Fiji, the Republic of
15 Nauru, New Zealand, Samoa, Tonga, the Federated States of
16 Micronesia, Kiribati, Niue, Palau, Papua New Guinea, the Republic
17 of the Marshall Island, the Solomon Islands, Tuvalu, and Vanuatu;
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19 WHEREAS, the Federated States of Micronesia has regularly
20 benefitted from the assistance and cooperation among the members

1 of the forum as well as from the Forum Secretariat; and

2 WHEREAS, the Federated States of Micronesia will host the 47th
3 Pacific Islands Forum on September 7-11, 2016; and

4 WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Federated States
5 of Micronesia to continue with its membership and to maintain a
6 good working relationship with the forum members by ratifying the
7 Agreement; now, therefore,

8 BE IT RESOLVED by the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated
9 States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session, 2016, that Congress
10 hereby ratifies as a treaty the Agreement Establishing the Pacific
11 Islands Forum; and

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
13 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States
14 of Micronesia.

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16 Date: 5/19/16

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(by request)

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