

THIRTEENTH KOSRAE STATE LEGISLATURE

SEVENTH SPECIAL SESSION, JANUARY 2024

L. R. No. 13-89

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**A RESOLUTION**

Expressing the Thirteenth Kosrae State Legislature's highest disappointment and further admonishing the actions of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia in the initial passage of and eventual overriding of the Presidential veto, resulting in Public Law No. 23-30, and finally requesting the 23<sup>rd</sup> Congress to reconsider revising the formula to the originally-proposed Arngel Formula, as agreed upon by the national and state leaderships during the Chief Executive Council meeting in Colonia, Yap.

1           **WHEREAS**, the State of Kosrae has been represented and participated in the  
2 Chief Executive Council meeting in September of last year, 2023, in which the leadership  
3 of the four states and the national government has agreed to a proposed formula, later  
4 known as the Arngel Formula, whereby such concrete agreement was carried out in the  
5 spirit of unity; and

6           **WHEREAS**, the Arngel Formula, as it later turned out, was apparently  
7 disregarded by the 23<sup>rd</sup> FSM Congress when it passed Congressional Bill No. 23-33  
8 C.D.1, and later overrode the Presidential veto to become Public Law No. 23-30; and

9           **WHEREAS**, the above stated Public Law No. 23-30 has resulted in the outcry of  
10 the sister states of Yap (thru Yap State Legislative Resolution No. 11-44), Pohnpei (thru  
11 Pohnpei State Legislative Resolution No. 196-23 L.D.1), and now Kosrae, hence the  
12 intent of this legislative resolution; and

13           **WHEREAS**, the Thirteenth Kosrae State Legislature shares its utmost  
14 disappointment in the deliberate actions taken by the 23<sup>rd</sup> Congress of the Federated  
15 States of Micronesia, as alluded to by Yap State Resolution No. 11-44 and Pohnpei State  
16 Resolution No. 196-23 L.D.1.; and

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1           **WHEREAS**, the Thirteenth Kosrae State Legislature conveys its discontentment  
2 with the act of Congress in disregarding the wishes of the Chief Executive Council  
3 agreements, a unified agreement by the states; and

4           **WHEREAS**, the Thirteenth Kosrae State Legislature finds it very important to  
5 voice out the concerns of the Leadership of the State of Kosrae through the adoption of  
6 this resolution; **NOW & THEREFORE**

7           **BE IT RESOLVED**, that this Thirteenth Kosrae State Legislature, during its  
8 Seventh Special Session, January 2024, hereby expresses its highest disappointment and  
9 further admonishing the actions of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Congress of the Federated States of  
10 Micronesia in the initial passage of and overriding the eventual Presidential veto resulting  
11 in Public Law No. 23-30, and finally requesting the 23<sup>rd</sup> Congress to reconsider revising  
12 the formula to the originally-proposed Arngel Formula, as agreed upon by the national  
13 and state leaderships during the Chief Executive Council meeting in Colonia, Yap; and

14           **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that certified copies of this resolution be  
15 transmitted to The Honorable Tulensa W. Palik, Governor of the State of Kosrae; The  
16 Honorable Esmond B. Moses, Speaker of the 23<sup>rd</sup> FSM Congress; The Honorable  
17 Members of the 23<sup>rd</sup> FSM Congress; The Honorable Stevenson A. Joseph, Governor of  
18 Pohnpei State; The Honorable Marvin T. Yamaguchi, Speaker of the Pohnpei State  
19 Legislature; The Honorable Alexander Narruhn, Governor of Chuuk State; The  
20 Honorable Lester Danny Mersai, Speaker of the Chuuk State Legislature – House of

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1 Representatives; The Honorable Arno H. Kony, President – House of Senate; The  
2 Honorable Charles S. Chieng, Governor of Yap State; and The Honorable Nicholas  
3 Figirlaarwon, Speaker of Yap State Legislature.

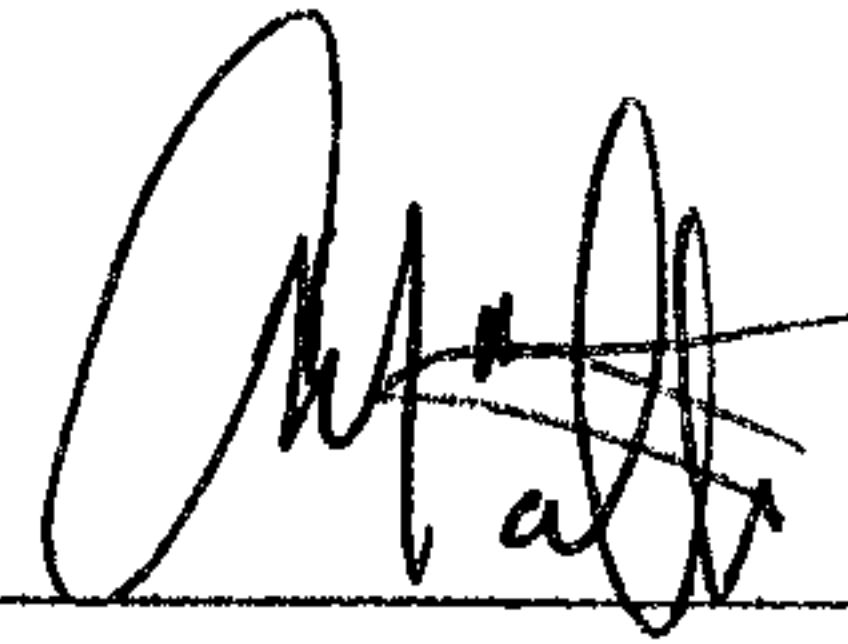
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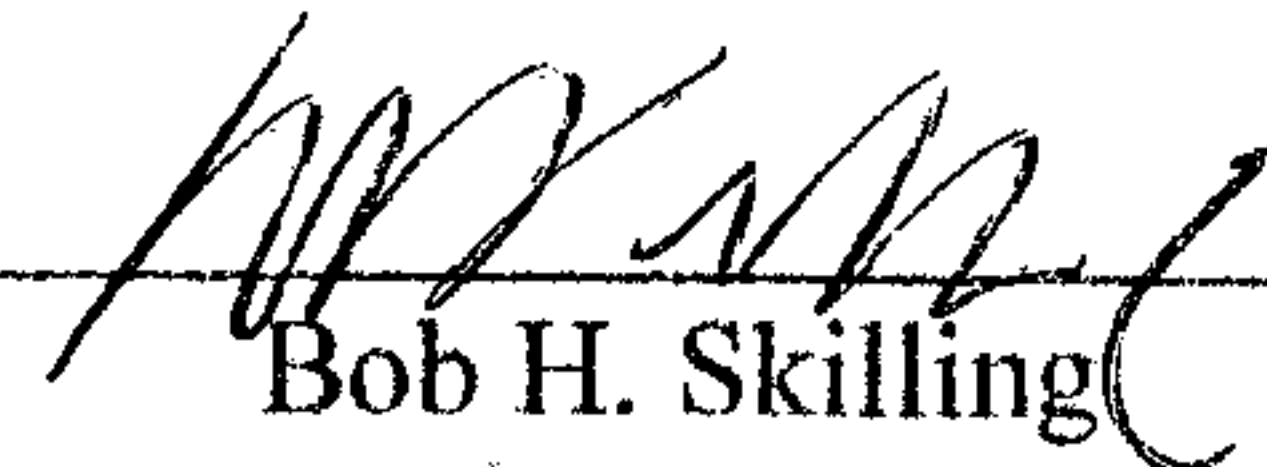
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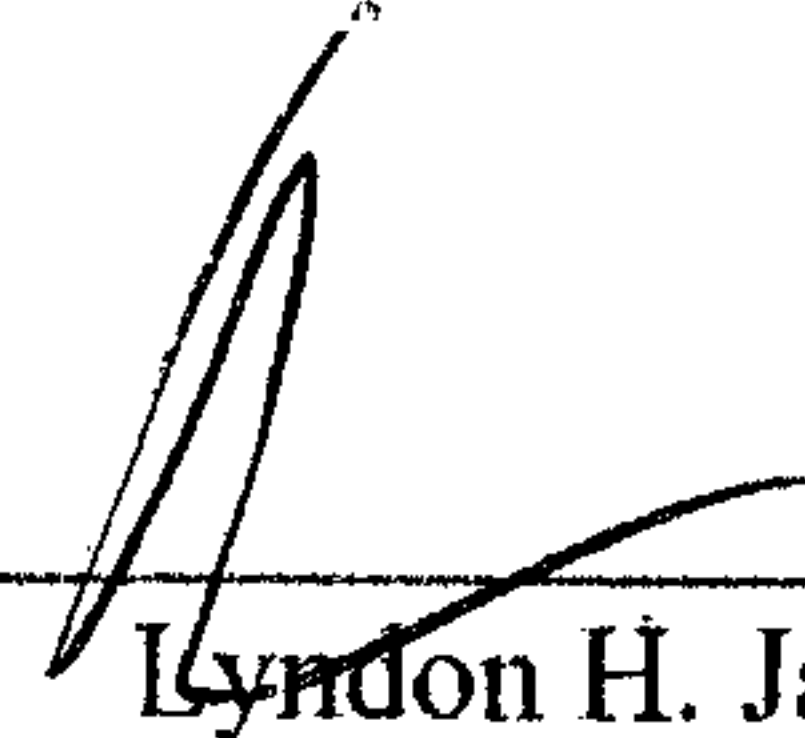
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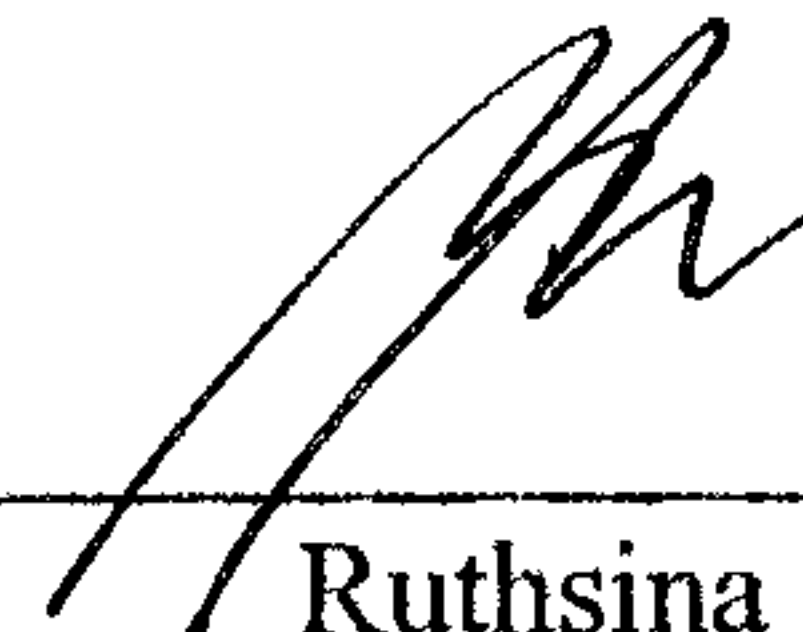


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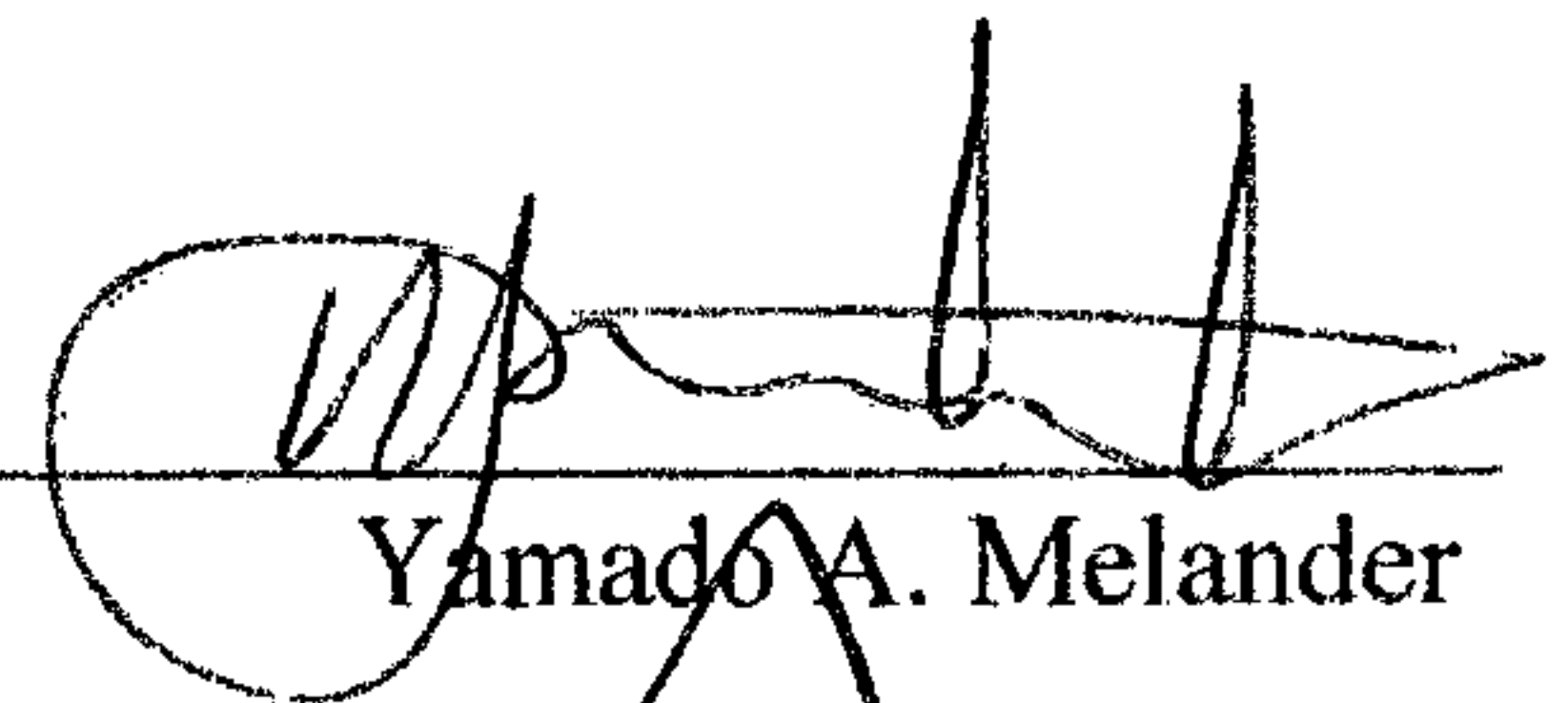
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