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A RESOLUTION

Requesting that the Members of the 21st Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia consider establishing a minimum wage at the national level for all the Government employees at the State Level.

1 **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Article 1 of Title IX of the FSM Code, the legislative
2 power is vested in the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, therefore it is
3 necessary to bring this issue of “ Minimum Wage” to the Honorable Members’ attention;
4 and

5 **WHEREAS**, each state has established its own minimum wage varying from
6 state to state: \$2:00 in Pohnpei; \$1.25 in Chuuk; \$1.42 in Kosrae; \$1.60 in Yap;
7 additionally the FSM National Government employees has its own minimum wage; and

8 **WHEREAS**, cost of living is almost the same throughout the four States and
9 inconsistencies in the minimum wage may have contributed in the fluctuation of this
10 nation’s annual inflation rate; and

11 **WHEREAS**, having a national minimum wage not lower than the current state
12 rates would increase wages and spending and further raise demand and create more jobs;
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14 **WHEREAS**, the members of the Twelfth Kosrae State Legislature sees the
15 importance of addressing this issue, and trust that the 21st FSM Congress members will
16 be able to assist the state in this request; **NOW THEREFORE**

17 **BE IT RESOLVED**, that this Twelfth Kosrae State Legislature, on its Second
18 Regular Session, August 2019, hereby requests that the Members of the 21st Congress of

TWELFTH KOSRAE STATE LEGISLATURE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION, AUGUST 2019

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1 the Federated States of Micronesia consider establishing a minimum wage at the federal
2 level for all the Government employees at the State Level; and

3 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a certified copy of this resolution be
4 transmitted to the Honorable Carson Sigrah Governor of the State of Kosrae; the
5 Honorable Wesley Simina, Speaker of the 21st FSM Congress; the Honorable Aren Palik,
6 FSM Congress member Kosrae Delegation; and the Honorable Paliknoa Welly, FSM
7 Congress member Kosrae Delegation.

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