A RESOLUTION

To express the sense of the Nitijela in support of the former Minister and Senator Tony deBrum’s nomination and campaign for the 2016 Nobel Peace Prize.

WHEREAS, the former Minister and Senator Tony deBrum served the people and the government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands for a total of forty five (45) years as civil servant and as member of Nitijela; and

WHEREAS, the former Minister and Senator Tony deBrum served in the Public Service since 1970 and have held several positions including the Director of Public Affairs and the Director of Resources & Development during the Trust Territory Government, as the Vice Chairman of the Marshall Islands Political Status Commission, and as the Secretary of Foreign Affairs before going into politics; and

WHEREAS, the former Minister and Senator Tony deBrum was first elected to Nitijela representing the people of Majuro Atoll from 1984 to 1999; and

WHEREAS, the former Minister and Senator Tony deBrum also served at the University of Hawaii as Associate Professor of Pacific Studies and has conducted seminars and lectures extensively in the United States, Japan and the Pacific region on nuclear and military issues pertaining to the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the neighboring island countries from the year 2000 to 2006; and simultaneously served as Consultant to the Kwajalein Negotiation Commission during those times; and

WHEREAS, the former Minister and Senator Tony deBrum was re-elected to the Nitijela and served as Minister of Foreign Affairs in President Litokwa Tomeing’s administration
and as Minister-in-Assistance to the President under President Christopher J. Loeak's administration in 2012; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure as the Minister, the former Minister and Senator Tony deBrum had engaged extensively in the international arena campaign against the alarming global issue of climate change and on the disarmament of nuclear testing in the Pacific and especially for the Republic of the Marshall Islands; and

WHEREAS, the former Minister and Senator Tony deBrum committed to a great ambition, to secure and protect our future, the future of our children and generations to come, by raising awareness on the devastating and destructive effects of climate change as well as nuclear testing; and

WHEREAS, the former Minister and Senator Tony deBrum believed that the best solutions to mitigate the devastating effects of climate change was through peaceful negotiation with bigger countries to agree on and adopt the 1.5 Degree Celsius; and

WHEREAS, through his strong support and engagements internationally, former Minister and Senator Tony deBrum took strong stand against nuclear proliferation and seeking justice for nuclear survivors over the course of many years; and

WHEREAS through his efforts, the former Minister and Senator Tony deBrum has been nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize which is considered one of the most prestigious global recognition awards; and

WHEREAS the 21st Micronesian Chief Executive Summit, expresses strong support for the Nobel Peace Price nomination of the former Minister and Senator Tony deBrum, attached is the copy of the resolution expressing the support; and
WHEREAS, it is fitting for the Nitijela to pay tribute to his many contributions, and to express support on behalf of the Government and the People of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, to the former Minister and Senator Tony de Brum in his campaign for the Nobel Peace Prize; now therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, by the People of the Republic of the Marshall Islands, through the Nitijela at its 37th Constitutional Regular Session, 2016, that the Nitijela hereby expresses its sense of support on the nomination of the former Minister and Senator Tony de Brum and his campaign for the 2016 Nobel Peace Prize.

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