A RESOLUTION

Proposing an amendment to the Kosrae State Constitution, Article IV, Section 10 to exclude Saturdays and Holidays during the Legislature's regular sessions.

WHEREAS, Article IV, Section 10 of the State Constitution to specifies that a regular session shall not exceed thirty calendar days, excluding Sundays; and

WHEREAS, the Kosrae State Legislature finds that it should also exclude Saturdays and Holidays from the thirty calendar days session; and

WHEREAS, by adoption of this resolution the Kosrae State Legislature now proposes the following amendment to the Kosrae State Constitution:

That the Kosrae Constitution Article IV, Section10 be amended to read as follows:

"Section 10. The Legislature shall organize and determine the qualifications of its members on the second Monday of January following the general election, shall convene its meetings on the following day, and may meet regularly for four years. A regular session shall not exceed thirty calendar days, excluding Sundays, Saturdays and Holidays, provided that the number of regular sessions may be prescribed by law. A special session may be convened at the call of the Governor, or by the Speaker at the written request of two-third of the Senators;" and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article XV, Section 2 of the Constitution, the proposed amendment must be submitted to the voters at a special election as specified by KSC §3.2001(1)(d). The question submitted shall be:

"Should the Kosrae State Legislature exclude Saturdays and Holidays from the thirty calendar days session?

YES …….

NO ……."

Now and therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Kosrae State Legislature proposes these amendment to the Kosrae Constitution through adoption of this resolution by three-fourths of the Senators; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Kosrae State Constitution Article IV, Section 10 be amended to read as follows:

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the question submitted to the voters shall be:

"Should the Kosrae State Legislature exclude Saturdays and Holidays from the thirty calendar days session?

YES …….

NO ……..."; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Honorable Robert J. Weilbacher, Governor of Kosrae; Mr. Daniel Thompson, Chairman of the Electoral Commission; and the Mayors of each Municipality.

Date: _____ Introduced by: _____
Senator Josaiah Saimon