

Proposal No.: CC-PR-4-42

Assigned to: Committee on Civil Liberties & Traditions

PROPOSAL TO AMEND CONSTITUTION

To amend Article V, Section 4 of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia to add a section to specify, define, and designate traditional title of Chiefs within the FSM which were known, proclaimed, and recognized by tradition by one of the most popular and respectful FSM traditional leaders, Petrus Mailo.

Section 4.

On the National level, traditional title for the Chiefs of the respective states shall be as follows: Sou-Ari-raas title to the traditional general chief in Chuuk; Sou-Wonipei title to the traditional general chief in Pohnpei; Sou-Waap title to the traditional general chief in Yap; and Sou-kachaaw title to the traditional general chief in Kosrae. The traditional chiefs within the states shall define and designate the traditional title according to its history, custom, and language of their respective states.

PURPOSE AND INTENT OF AMENDMENT:

The essence of the proposed amendment is to protect, retain, and maintain the traditional oceanic and geographic hemisphere of our Micronesia Nation within which region we are united as one. The four chief titles are proof that within our region we are inseparable and that this FSM Nation should not be separated, divided, nor one state secede from the rest of the states.

Introducer:


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By request of the Chuuk Delegation

Date:

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