

STATE OF YAP

FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 2026

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## A RESOLUTION

Requesting the Governor of the State of Yap, with consensus of the leadership, to formally direct the Yap United States Military Operations (YUMO) Task Force to include discussions and negotiations for a new seagoing vessel for the State of Yap.

1           WHEREAS, the State of Yap is currently engaging in  
2           discussion with the United States Department of Defense  
3           regarding the planned use of the State of Yap as a defense  
4           site, with emphasis on the airport and seaport; and

5           WHEREAS, Executive Order 2025-04-A officially  
6           established the Yap-U.S. Military Operations (YUMO) task  
7           force to coordinate and work on behalf of the State of Yap  
8           directly with the United States in implementing the  
9           defense site plans and schedule; and

10           WHEREAS, with YUMO engaging in negotiations with the  
11           United States Department of Defense, this is an  
12           opportunity for possible expansion of our field trip  
13           services with an additional ship to assist the current MV  
14           Hapilmogol 2; and

15           WHEREAS, the MV Hapilmogol 2, a vessel owned by the  
16           National Government, currently operated by and servicing  
17           the State of Yap, is frequently in need of repairs and  
18           maintenance due to the non-stop services, which

1 contributes to the wear and tear of the vessel; and

2 WHEREAS, the geographical layout of the State of Yap  
3 calls for a dire need to continuously have a seaworthy  
4 vessel for ongoing services, and acquiring such a vessel  
5 must be prioritized to alleviate the critical education,  
6 health, social and economic need of the State of Yap; now,  
7 therefore,

8 BE IT RESOLVED by the Eleventh Legislature of the  
9 State of Yap, Fourth Regular Session, 2026 that the  
10 Legislature hereby requests the Governor of the State of  
11 Yap, with consensus of the leadership, to formally direct  
12 the Yap United States Military Operations (YUMO) Task  
13 Force to include discussions and negotiations for a new  
14 seagoing vessel for the State of Yap; and

15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Governor calls for a  
16 leadership meeting to discuss this main issue and other  
17 plans of the State of Yap in negotiations with the U.S.  
18 Department of Defense; and

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
20 Resolution be transmitted to HE Wesley Simina, the  
21 President of the Federated States of Micronesia; the  
22 Acting Secretary of the FSM Department of Foreign Affairs;

1 HE Jennifer L. Johnson, Ambassador of the United States of  
2 America to the Federated States of Micronesia; the  
3 Honorable Andy Choor, Chairman of the Yap Congressional  
4 Delegation; the Honorable Francis Itimai, the Governor of  
5 the State of Yap; the Honorable Viliame Lagonilakeba, the  
6 Attorney General of the State of Yap; the Honorable  
7 Cyprian Manmaw, the Chief Justice of the Yap State Court;  
8 the Honorable Thomas Falngin, the Chairman of the Council  
9 of Pilung; and the Honorable Paul Marlul, the Chairman of  
10 the Council of Tamol.

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12 **Adopted on: February 26, 2026**

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Nicholas Figirlaarwon  
Speaker

  
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Date

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Dee N. N. Libian  
Chief Clerk