

FSM ASSOCIATION OF CHIEF STATE SCHOOL OFFICERS
NATIONAL DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

A RESOLUTION

A Resolution extending the validity period of all previously issued Basic Certificates under the FSM Teacher Certification Policy from 2012 to 2015 due to amendments to the FSM Teacher Certification Policy of April 2012 and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, JEMCO Resolution 2009-9(a) requires all teachers paid out of the provisions of the Compact of Free Association, as amended, to be certified based on the requirements established in the amended FSM Teacher Certification Policy (2012) and that those non-certified teachers are put on approved professional development plans leading to certification under the certification policy; and

WHEREAS, existing and verified data indicated a total of 823 teachers had been awarded Basic Level Certificates (Pohnpei-352, Chuuk-317, and Kosrae-154) on the previous requirements of the FSM Teacher Certification Policy; and

WHEREAS, FACSSO acknowledged that by enforcing the effective date of the FSM Teacher Certification Policy, as amended and would have become in effect as of April 2012, will unjustly disqualify all 823 teachers from their current certification at the Basic Certification level; and

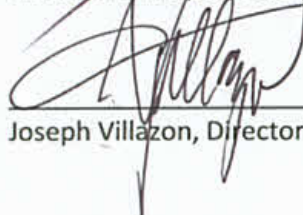
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that FACSSO endorsed extension of the validity period of all previously certified teachers on Basic Certification level to 2015 and for all State Directors of Education to submit a 3-year Professional Development Plan (FY13-16) that will include action steps toward certification of all teachers under all four levels of certification, inclusive of the new requirements for Basic Certification level, no later than January 31, 2013 for review and approval by Secretary, Department of Education, FSM National Government; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution will be transmitted to the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, Chairman, Committee on Education, FSM National Congress, FSM SBOC Office, US DOI-OIA/JEMCO, Chairmen, Boards of Education, FSM States, and will be posted on the FSM NDOE website at www.fsmed.fm for a broader stakeholder awareness.

Signed on this 6th day, December, 2012.



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