

Resolution on Reinstating the Micronesian Committee of the Hawaii
Conference United Church of Christ

WHEREAS: At the last Aha Paeaina a resolution was passed to extend hospitality to the immigrants; and

WHEREAS: Micronesians, as the newest immigrant group in Hawai`i, face problems of discrimination in housing, jobs, education and medical benefits; and

WHEREAS: Due to Climate Change, conditions of past atomic and nuclear tests, lack of medical, educational and job opportunities, more Micronesians are immigrating to Hawai`i and other places in large numbers; and

WHEREAS: Many Micronesians are Christians due to the sixty (60) native Hawaiian missionaries who were sent to Micronesia between 1852 and 1904; and

WHEREAS: The Hawaii Conference United Church of Christ had a Micronesian committee consisting of Micronesian and non-Micronesian Christians interested in Micronesia; and

WHEREAS: The Hawaii Conference United Church of Christ is part of the Micronesian Council of the United Church of Christ together with the Global Ministries of the United Church of Christ and the Church bodies in the Marshall Islands, Kosrae, Pohnpei and Chuuk;

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Hawaii Conference United Church of Christ reinstate the Micronesian Committee to be composed of both Micronesian Christian leaders and non-Micronesian Christians with a commitment to serve Micronesians.