

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 13-113

RE: C.R. NO. 13-71/R&D

SUBJECT: NOMINATION OF NENA S. NENA TO THE NATIONAL OCEANIC
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY BOARD

MAY 20, 2004

The Honorable Peter M. Christian
Speaker, Thirteenth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Third Regular Session, 2004

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Resources and Development, to which was referred
C.R. No. 13-71, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING THE NOMINATION OF MR. NENA S. NENA TO
SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL OCEANIC RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
AUTHORITY BOARD.",

begs leave to report as follows:

The intent and purpose of the resolution are expressed in its title.

The nomination of Mr. Nena S. Nena was transmitted to Congress via
Presidential Communication No. 13-119. This communication outlines
Mr. Nena's qualifications to serve on the National Oceanic Resource
Management Authority Board (the "NORMA Board") and urges Congress to
consider this nomination favorably.

Mr. Nena has served as a NORMA Board member since the year 2000. Your
Committee agrees that Mr. Nena is qualified to serve the Board well
and believes that he also contributed considerable time and effort to
the Board. The written information provided to your Committee in
Presidential Communication 13-119, which included a copy of Mr. Nena's
resume, reveals that Mr. Nena served as a teacher for several years,
as Kosrae State Hospital Administrator for eight years, as Kosrae
State Director, Department of Agriculture and Land for four years, and
most recently, as Kosrae State Director, Department of Agriculture,
Land and Fisheries since 1999. Mr. Nena was educated at the Silliman
University in the Phillipines where he was awarded a B.A. in
Sociology. He also attended the University of Hawaii.

Your Committee held a public hearing on Wednesday, May 12, 2004 for
the purpose of reviewing and discussing five nominations to the Board,
of which Mr. Nena's nomination was one. According to the Executive
Director of NORMA, Bernard Thoulag, Mr. Nena currently serves as a
member of the NORMA Board as a representative from the State of Kosrae

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and is very much aware of the unique and technical issues facing
NORMA.

Your Committee has invited comments from the Executive Director and
Deputy Director of the Authority. No objections or concerns regarding
the nomination were expressed. The Kosrae State Governor, Mr. Sigrah,
strongly supported the nomination of Mr. Nena.

Your Committee agrees that Mr. Nena's working experiences with the
Board will make him an asset to the National Oceanic Resource
Management Authority Board.

Mr. Nena is nominated to act as the member representing Kosrae, and
this is not reflected in the resolution. Your Committee therefore
recommends the following amendment to the resolution:

1. Title, lines 1 and 2 - delete the words "as a member of" and
insert the words "as the member representing the State of Kosrae
on" in lieu thereof.
2. Page 1, line 2 - delete "Special" and insert "Regular" in lieu
thereof.

Your Committee on Resources and Development is in accord with the
intent and purpose of C.R. No. 13-71 and recommends its adoption in
the form attached hereto as C.R. 13-71, C.D.1.

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Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Alik L. Alik
Alik L. Alik, Chairman

/s/ Dion G. Neth
Dion G. Neth, Vice chairman

/s/ Resio S. Moses
Resio S. Moses, member

/s/ Tiwiter Aritos
Tiwiter Aritos, member

Sabino S. Asor, member

/s/ Ramon Peyal
Ramon Peyal, member

/s/ Moses A. Nelson
Moses A. Nelson, member