

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 17-41

RE: C.R. NO. 17-30/J&GO

SUBJECT: CONFIRMATION OF THE NOMINEE MS. GINGER PORTER
MIDA TO THE POSITION OF FSM POSTMASTER GENERAL

SEPTEMBER 21, 2011

The Honorable Isaac V. Figir
Speaker, Seventeenth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Second Regular Session, 2011

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations, to
which was referred C.R. No. 17-30, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF MS. GINGER
PORTER MIDA TO THE POSITION OF FSM POSTMASTER
GENERAL.",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

Ginger Porter Mida has been nominated by the President for the
position of FSM Postmaster General. This nomination is subject to the
advice and consent of Congress pursuant to article X, section 2(d), of
the Constitution and title 2, section 207(1), of the Code of the
Federated States of Micronesia.

The nominee has been Postmaster for the FSM Post Office in Pohnpei
since 2010. She was previously a postal clerk for the U.S. Postal
Service in Honolulu and Pohnpei. At a hearing on her nomination held
in Palikir on September 15, 2011, Ms. Mida stated she had worked for
the U.S. Postal Service for more than twenty-five years, and that this
experience of a modern and sophisticated postal operation would be of
great benefit to the position of Postmaster General. She said that
her priorities in the position would include increasing philatelic
revenue, introducing mail meters, and exploring the possibility of

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reintroducing the sale of money orders.

In response to questions from Committee members, the nominee stressed the importance of increasing revenue generation, and expressed an interest in learning from the experiences of the postal services in Palau and the Marshalls where the postal service has corporate status and receives no government subsidy. She also stated she would look into having restrictions on the shipment of local products such as sakau and betelnut imposed by the U.S. Postal Service lifted, although she cautioned she could not guarantee a positive outcome.

Your Committee is satisfied with the qualifications, experience, and dedication of the nominee and believes this nominee should be confirmed.

Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 17-30 and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto.

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Respectfully submitted,

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