

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 17-96

RE: C.R. NO. 17-81/J&GO

SUBJECT: TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF MR.
IOANIS SAHM TO SERVE AS THE FSM
NATIONAL ELECTION COMMISSIONER FOR
POHNPEI STATE

FEBRUARY 06, 2012

The Honorable Isaac V. Figir
Speaker, Seventeenth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Third Regular Session, 2012

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations
("J&GO"), to which was referred C.R. No. 17-81, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF MR. IOANIS
SAHM TO SERVE AS THE FSM NATIONAL ELECTION COMMISSIONER
FOR POHNPEI STATE.",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

Mr. Ioanis Sahn has been nominated by the President for the
position of FSM National Election Commissioner for Pohnpei
State. This nomination is subject to the advice and consent
of Congress pursuant to article X, section 2(d), of the
Constitution and title 9, section 301 of the Code of the
Federated States of Micronesia.

Your Committee has received a letter from the Governor of the State of Pohnpei supporting the nomination and noting the nominee's experience as Mayor of Kolonia and in key positions in state government. The nominee's resume also indicates he has worked as a school principal and served on a number of boards including the Pohnpei Public Land Board, the Pohnpei Community Action Agency Board, the Pohnpei Public Broadcasting Corporation Board, and the Pohnpei State Board of Special Education. At a hearing on the nomination held in Palikir on January 26, 2012, the National Election Director spoke in support of the nomination, indicating that he had met the nominee and that he believed that the nominee met the requirements for the position. He noted that the nominee is currently retired, having retired from his position as a school principal around two years ago.

Your Committee is satisfied with the qualifications, experience, and dedication of the nominee, and has received no comments in opposition to the nomination.

Your Committee would like to offer the following technical amendment to C.R. No. 17-81:

- Page 1, line 11, delete "Second Special Session, 2011" and insert "Third Regular Session, 2012" in lieu thereof.

Your Committee on Judiciary and Governmental Operations is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 17-81, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as C.R. No. 17-81, C.D.1.

Respectfully submitted,

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David W. Panuelo, chairman

/s/ Bonsiano F. Nethon
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/s/ Isaac V. Figir

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