

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-82

RE: C.R. NO. 18-53/H&SA

SUBJECT: TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF MR. ALBERT  
T. WELLY TO SERVE AS A MEMBER ON THE FSM  
SOCIAL SECURITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

DECEMBER 03, 2013

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert  
Speaker, Eighteenth Congress  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Second Special Session, 2013

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Health & Social Affairs, to which was  
referred C.R. No. 18-53, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF MR.  
ALBERT T. WELLY TO SERVE AS A MEMBER ON THE  
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA SOCIAL SECURITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPRESENTING THE STATE OF  
KOSRAE."

begs leave to report as follows:

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

Your Committee lauds the good work that the Social Security  
Administration has done to ensure that the citizens of our  
Nation receive benefits necessary to sustain them in their  
old age or times of disability. In order to continue its  
work with competence and efficiency the Administration needs  
to have a complete Board of Directors with skilled members.  
Your Committee believes that the nominee has the appropriate  
knowledge and background to work on the important issues  
facing the Administration at this time.

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The Committee held a public hearing on this nomination on December 2, 2013. Witness in attendance at this hearing included the Administrator of the Social Security Administration and his key staff, a representative from the Office of the President and the nominee. The Committee is also in receipt of a letter of recommendation.

Your Committee notes that the nominee has served in both State and National Government, performing well for over 30 years. As a member of the Kosrae State Legislature the nominee has accumulated in-depth knowledge of the relevant policy issues that face the Administration. The Administrator for the Social Security Administration endorsed this nomination, and requests that the nominee be confirmed as soon as possible to allow the Board of Directors to meet with a full Board. The representative from the Office of the President also confirmed that it was still the desire of the President to recommend this nominee.

Upon an extensive review of the nominee and his qualifications your Committee is satisfied that the nominee is fit for service as a member of the Board of Directors for the Social Security Administration, and believes it is in the best interests of our country that the above named nominee be confirmed as soon as possible. Therefore, your Committee on Health & Social Affairs recommends that Mr. Albert T. Welly be confirmed as a member of the Board of Directors for the Social Security Administration.

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Your Committee on Health & Social Affairs is in accord with  
the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 18-53, and recommends its  
adoption in the form attached hereto.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Tony H. Otto  
Tony H. Otto, chairman

/s/ Tiwiter Aritos  
Tiwiter Aritos, vice chairman

Peter M. Christian, member

/s/ Yosiwo P. George  
Yosiwo P. George, member

/s/ Florencio S. Harper  
Florencio S. Harper, member

/s/ David W. Panuelo  
David W. Panuelo, member

/s/ Joseph J. Urusemal  
Joseph J. Urusemal, member