

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-84

RE: C.R. NO. 18-88/H&SA

SUBJECT: APPROVING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$486,950 FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES HEALTH
RESOURCES AND SERVICES ADMINISTRATION.

DECEMBER 03, 2013

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

Dear Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs, to which was
jointly referred C.R. No. 18-88 entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN
THE AMOUNT OF \$486,950 FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES HEALTH RESOURCES AND
SERVICES ADMINISTRATION, INCLUDING ALL THE TERMS
AND CONDITIONS OF THE ASSISTANCE.",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

The resolution would approve funding for the Department of
Health & Social Affairs for maternal and child health
services for children from birth to school age.

Your Committee held a joint public hearing with the
Committee on External Affairs on December 2, 2013. In
attendance were representatives from the Department of
Health and Social Affairs, the Department of Finance and

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Administration, SBOC, the Department of Justice and the
Office of President.

This on-going program is well known to the Committee for its success in giving the children of this Nation a healthy start in life. The Department confirmed that it is planning for the program and services to continue as in the past. It also confirmed that the only changes would be the transition of current National Government employees with duty stations in the four States to become State Government employees. This would entail a reduction in employees for this Division of about 85%. The current proposed budget for this grant is: personnel \$328,184, travel \$69,200, contractual services \$19,574, and supplies \$46,000.

Your Committee was satisfied with the information provided by Department and other witnesses, and the supplemental budget information provided by the Department. It lauds the work that the Department of Health and Social Affairs as done in this area and recommends passage of the resolution approving this grant.

In accordance with the above statements, your Committee agrees that funding in the form of the proposed grant is necessary, and, therefore, recommends the adoption of C.R. No. 18-88.

