

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-215

RE: C.R. NO. 18-200/H&SA

SUBJECT: APPROVING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$644,741
TO FUND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FSM
SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM.

SEPTEMBER 24, 2014

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert
Speaker, Eighteenth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Fifth Special Session, 2014

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs, to which was
jointly referred C.R. No. 18- 200 entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING OF A GRANT IN THE
AMOUNT OF \$644,741 FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH
SERVICES, TO FUND THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FSM SUBSTANCE
ABUSE AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM,
INCLUDING ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE ASSISTANCE.",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

On September 22, 2014 your Committee held hearings regarding
the above-captioned C.R. No. 18-200 jointly with the
Committee on External Affairs. The Committee was advised
that this grant would provide the funding for the majority
of the work at the National and State level to assist our
citizens with mental health issues. The important work and
services that this grant supports is well known to the
Committee and it believes it improves the overall health of
our Nation's citizens. Continued financial support for this
program is desirable.

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The Secretary of the Department of Health and Social Affairs and her relevant staff gave a brief summary of the state of this program. There is an extensive network of governmental agencies and NGOs, as well as, the departments of health that are supported by this funding.

A very detailed budget is attached for each organization receiving funding under this grant. Funding is proposed to continue for the Nation and the States in approximately the same proportion as in previous years.

Overall your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is supportive of the program that this grant will support. Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is in accord with the intent and purposes of C.R. No. 18-200, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto.

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Respectfully submitted,

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