

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 19-05

RE: C.R. NO. 19-17/R&D

SUBJECT: TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF MR. MARION
HENRY TO SERVE AS SECRETARY OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT
OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

MAY 29, 2015

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina
Speaker, Nineteenth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
First Regular Session, 2015

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Resources and Development, to which was
referred C.R. No. 19-17, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF MR.
MARION HENRY TO SERVE AS THE OF SECRETARY OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF RESOURCES AND DEVELOPMENT OF THE
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA.",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

The nomination of Mr. Marion Henry was transmitted to
Congress through Presidential Communication No. 19-21.
Attached to P.C. No. 19-21 was the nominee's resume, which
outlines the nominee's work experience, educational
background and relevant affiliations. The nominee served
as the Chief of Marine Resources under the Department of
Resources and Development, Chuuk State, from 1981 to 1985;

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served as Executive Director of the same Department from 1985 to 1986; and served as Deputy Director of the same Department from 1986 to 1990; again served as the Director of the Department of Resources and Development, Chuuk State from 1990 to 1993; served as Director of the Department of Commerce and Industry, Chuuk State, from 1993 to 1996; served as Director of the Department of Planning and Statistics, Chuuk State, from 1996 to 1997; served as Vice President of the FSM National Fisheries Corporation from 1997 to 2004; served as Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Fisheries Unit, FSM Department of Economic Affairs, from 2004 to 2005; served as Assistant Secretary of the FSM Department of Resources and Development from 2005 to 2010; and most recently, as Secretary of the FSM Department of Resources and Development.

In order to proceed with the development and full utilization of our country's resources, your Committee stresses the importance of strong leadership by the Secretary of the Department of Resources and Development of the Federated States of Micronesia. The individual selected for this position must be able to work at the National and international level, as well as take into consideration the needs of our people. Your Committee is mindful that it would be in the best interests of our country if the Secretary of Resources and Development had a broad knowledge of the technical issues, as well as the ability to act as an efficient manager and negotiator in order to fully represent our country.

Your Committee conducted a hearing on Wednesday, May 27, 2015, on the nomination of Mr. Marion Henry. Your Committee reviewed the qualifications of this nominee, including his educational background and professional experience. The nominee has served for several years in the Department of Resources and Development, including as its Secretary. In all previous positions the nominee fulfilled his duties satisfactorily. He has the knowledge and years of experience regarding our country's developmental needs and policies governing the use of our

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resources which is essential in representing the Federated States of Micronesia in the capacity of Secretary.

The nominee was given an opportunity to comment on his nomination. He commented that he will do his best to move this Nation forward. He also acknowledged the staff of the Department who were the movers of the goals and objectives of the Department of Resources and Development. He finally concluded by thanking to the Committee.

Your Committee has not received any communication that would cast doubt on the performance or integrity of this nominee. Further, your Committee defers to the President and the Department as to the decision to put forward this nominee. Absent any contrary indication, your Committee believes this nominee should be confirmed, and so, recommends Mr. Marion Henry be confirmed, as soon as possible, to the position of Secretary of the Department of Resources and Development of the Federated States of Micronesia.

Your Committee on Resources and Development is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 17-23, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto.

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Respectfully submitted,

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