

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 19-103

RE: C.R. NO. 19-72/H&SA

SUBJECT: ACCEPTING A GRANT IN AMOUNT OF \$61,813.17 TO  
FUND FSM'S BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS  
PROGRAM

FEBRUARY 09, 2016

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina  
Speaker, Nineteenth Congress  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Third Regular Session, 2016

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs to which was  
referred C.R. No. 19-72, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE  
AMOUNT OF \$61,813.17 FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT  
OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND  
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION, UNDER AN  
AGREEMENT BY THE SYNECTICS FOR MANAGEMENT DECISIONS,  
INC., TO FUND THE FSM BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS  
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.

Your Committee held a hearing on February 3, 2016 the  
witnesses present included the Department of Health and  
Social Affairs, including the Acting Secretary and his key  
staff, the Office of the President and the Department of  
Justice.

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During the hearing the Department of Health and Social Affairs stated that this was an additional, small supplemental amount to the large block grant that the Department receives annually for substance abuse prevention and its mental health programs. This particular grant would fund some supplies, computers, printing and fuel for the mandatory survey exercise they do every year. A detailed budget is attached to the report for reference.

The Committee was advised that the annual survey would take place shortly of all of the active mental health and substance abuse prevention programs and facilities. A list of services currently provided and client counts would then be incorporated into a survey summary. Your Committee requested a copy of the survey summary when it is completed.

The Committee notes that the budget under this grant will rest with the National Department of Health and Social Affairs. It was reiterated by the Department that this survey is always a national task and the results are then shared with the states and donors for the purposes of future planning.

Finally, the Committee again requests that progress reports and detailed budgets be submitted for the grants with the proposed resolution and grant award so the Committee may have the opportunity to make a preliminary review before its hearings.

The Committee would like to offer the following amendments to C.R. No. 19-72 to read as follows:

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1. On Page 2, line 2, delete "Second Special" and insert "Third Regular" in lieu thereof.
2. Page 2, line 2, delete "2015" insert "2016" in lieu thereof.

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 19-72, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as C.R 19-72, C.D.1

Respectfully submitted,

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Bonsiano F. Nethon, chairman

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/s/ Ferny S. Perman  
Ferny S. Perman, vice chairman

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/s/ Tiwiter Aritos  
Tiwiter Aritos, member

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Florencio S. Harper, member

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

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

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/s/ Alik L. Alik  
Alik L. Alik, member

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