

AN ACT

To appropriate the sum of \$100,000 from the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2005 in support of tsunami relief efforts, and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA:

1 Section 1. Purpose. On December 26, 2004, a number of
2 countries in the Asia-Pacific region were hit by a devastating
3 tsunami, which caused extensive loss of life, property and
4 economic activity; injured many residents in the impacted areas;
5 and left countless others homeless. Governments and private
6 citizens from around the world have joined in providing financial
7 aid and other assistance in support of relief efforts in the area.
8 On a number of occasions in the past, the Federated States of
9 Micronesia has, itself, suffered extensive human and economic loss
10 as a result of natural disasters. In such circumstances, the FSM
11 and its people have been the grateful recipients of aid and
12 support from other nations, peoples and international
13 organizations. The Federated States of Micronesia believes that,
14 just as its neighbors have come to the aid of the FSM and its
15 people in times of crisis, this nation should support other
16 countries in the region during their time of need. Accordingly,
17 it is fitting that the Congress of the Federated States of
18 Micronesia, on behalf of the nation and its people, appropriate
19 funds in support of the Asia-Pacific tsunami relief effort.

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1 Section 2. The sum of \$100,000 is hereby appropriated from
2 the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the
3 fiscal year ending September 30, 2005, for relief efforts in aid
4 of the victims of the tsunami of December 26, 2004. The funds
5 appropriated under this section shall be contributed to the
6 Micronesia Red Cross Society to be used exclusively for the
7 purpose identified herein.

8 Section 3. Allotment and management of funds and lapse date.

9 (1) All funds appropriated by this act shall be allotted,
10 managed, administered, and accounted for in accordance with
11 applicable law, including but not limited to, the Financial
12 Management Act of 1979. The allottee of the funds appropriated
13 under this act shall be the President of the Federated States of
14 Micronesia.

15 (2) The allottee of the funds appropriated herein shall be
16 responsible for ensuring that these funds, or so much thereof as
17 may be necessary, are used solely for the purpose specified
18 herein, and shall report back to the Congress on the status of
19 these funds no later than September 30, 2005. The authority of
20 the allottee to obligate such funds shall lapse on September 30,
21 2005.

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Section 4. This act shall become law upon approval by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming law without such approval.

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Law without signature
May 6, 2005

Joseph J. Urusemal
President
Federated States of Micronesia

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