

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 19-218

RE: C.R. NO. 19-345/H&SA

SUBJECT: ACCEPTING GRANT FROM THE UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES IN  
THE AMOUNT OF \$157,974.

MARCH 31, 2017

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina  
Speaker, Nineteenth Congress  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Eighth Special Session, 2017

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs to which was  
referred C.R. No. 19-345, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE  
AMOUNT OF \$157,974 FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT  
OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES—HEALTH RESOURCES AND  
SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (HRSA), TO THE FSM MATERNAL  
AND CHILD HEALTH SERVICES PROGRAM FOR BUDGET PERIOD  
FROM OCTOBER 01, 2016 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2017, FOR THE  
IMPROVEMENT OF MOTHERS AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH IN THE  
FSM, INCLUDING ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE  
ASSISTANCE.",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

Your Committee held a hearing on March 29, 2017, the  
witnesses present included the Department of Health and  
Social Affairs, including the Acting Secretary and key

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staff, Office of the President, the Department of Foreign Affairs, and the Department of Justice.

The program funded by this grant is well known to the Committee. The Committee noted during the hearing that the budget and proposed activities for this grant were not included in the transmission by the President. The Department of Health and Social Affairs did provide these documents shortly after the hearing and they are attached for information of the members.

The Committee appreciates the beneficial activities provided by this program, such as: the visit by the Pediatric Cardiologist Team from the Children's Hospital of Orange County, California, and the purchase of equipment specifically for pediatric use. But, the Committee stated again that it would like the progress reports from this program on a regular basis so that it may evaluate the effectiveness of the efforts. The Department stated that it would send these as soon as available

Throughout the hearing the question of continued funding was part of the investigation by your Committee. Regarding this particular program the Department advised the Committee that the funding in this case would continue in future years.

Your Committee has attached the detailed budget for each State and the National Government. The budget breakdown remains the same as in previous years.

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It is therefore, for the reasons set forth above, your Committee on Health and Social Affairs supports the grant activities proposed to be funded, it is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 19-345, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as C.R. No. 19-345.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Bonsiano F. Nethon  
Bonsiano F. Nethon, chairman

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

/s/ Tiwiter Aritos  
Tiwiter Aritos, member

/s/ Florencio S. Harper  
Florencio S. Harper, member

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

/s/ Joseph J. Urusemal  
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/s/ Alik L. Alik  
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