

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 20-32

RE: C.R. NO. 20-49/H&SA

SUBJECT: ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES IN THE  
AMOUNT OF \$276,806.

SEPTEMBER 28, 2017

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina  
Speaker, Twentieth Congress  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Second Regular Session, 2017

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs, to which was  
referred C.R. No. 20-49, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT \$276,806  
FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,  
CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION, TO FUND  
THE FSM PUBLIC HEALTH AND HEALTHCARE EMERGENCY  
PREPAREDNESS PROJECT, 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 in September 2017, the  
witnesses present included the Department of Health and  
Social Affairs, including the Secretary and key staff, and  
representatives the Department of Justice. Your Committee  
was also fortunate to have the Directors of the State  
Hospitals of Pohnpei and Kosrae at this hearing. Your

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Committee values the input of the state leadership as they administer the programs.

The program that this proposed grant supports is well known to the Committee, and this grant is a companion to that proposed in C.R. No. 20-24. The Committee wishes to echo the comments made regarding that resolution.

Your Committee is supportive of the Department of Health and Social Affairs' efforts to provide for emergency preparedness for our Nation, and 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.20-49, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Ferny S. Perman, chairman

/s/ Alik L. Alik  
Alik L. Alik, vice chairman

/s/ Tiwiter Aritos  
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Florencio S. Harper, member

David W. Panuelo, member

/s/ Joseph J. Urusemal  
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