



The President
Palikir, Pohnpei
Federated States of Micronesia

PRESIDENTIAL COMM. NO. 15-159
FSM CONGRESS

March 19, 2008

The Honorable Isaac V. Figir
Speaker
15th FSM Congress
Palikir, Pohnpei, FM 96941

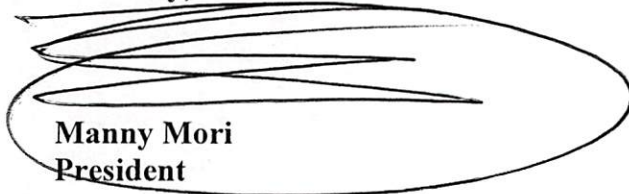
Re: Congressional Act No. 15-34

Dear Speaker Figir:

I have designated the following Congressional Act as Public Law No. 15-28.

Congressional Act No. 15-34, "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 204 OF TITLE 7 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA, AS AMENDED, IN ORDER TO ALLOW FOR CITIZENSHIP THROUGH NATURALIZATION TO FSM NATIONALS AND CHILDREN OF FSM CITIZENS, AND, WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF CONGRESS THROUGH BILL, CITIZENSHIP THROUGH NATURALIZATION FOR SPOUSE OF FSM CITIZENS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

Sincerely,



Manny Mori
President

Enclosures:

XC: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court
Secretary, Department of Justice
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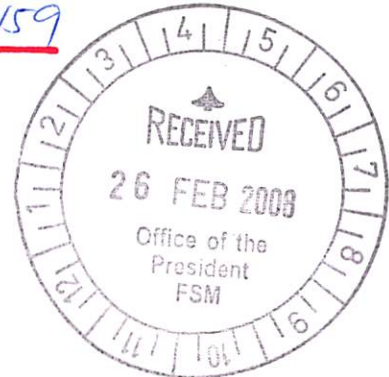
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February 26, 2008

His Excellency Manny Mori
President
Federated States of Micronesia
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear Mr. President:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 15-34, "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 204 OF TITLE 7 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA, AS AMENDED, IN ORDER TO ALLOW FOR CITIZENSHIP THROUGH NATURALIZATION TO FSM NATIONALS AND CHILDREN OF FSM CITIZENS, AND, WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF CONGRESS THROUGH BILL, CITIZENSHIP THROUGH NATURALIZATION FOR SPOUSES OF FSM CITIZENS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was passed by the Fifteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2008, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

Liwiana K. Ramon
Chief Clerk, Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures



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FIFTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA
THIRD REGULAR SESSION
FEBRUARY 4 - 23, 2008

PUBLIC LAW No. 15 - 28

An Act

TO AMEND SECTION 204 OF TITLE 7 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA, AS AMENDED, IN ORDER TO ALLOW FOR CITIZENSHIP THROUGH NATURALIZATION TO FSM NATIONALS AND CHILDREN OF FSM CITIZENS, AND, WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF CONGRESS THROUGH BILL, CITIZENSHIP THROUGH NATURALIZATION FOR SPOUSES OF FSM CITIZENS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

INTRODUCED BY: SENATOR PETER SITAN

DATE: NOVEMBER 1, 2007

REFERRED TO: JUDICIARY & GOVERNMENTAL OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

S.C.R. NO. 15-83 – FEBRUARY 18, 2008

FIRST READING: FEBRUARY 19, 2008

SECOND READING: FEBRUARY 20, 2008

Liwiana K. Ramon
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress



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FSM CONGRESS

ACT NO. 15-34

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 15-75, C.D.1)

We hereby certify that on February 20 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Fifteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2008, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required under article IX, section 20, of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia.

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Isaac V. Figir
Speaker
Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Liwiana K. Ramon".

Liwiana K. Ramon
Chief Clerk
Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia

PUBLIC LAW No. 15-28

AN ACT

To amend section 204 of title 7 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, in order to allow for citizenship through naturalization to FSM nationals and children of FSM citizens, and, with the recommendation of Congress through bill, citizenship through naturalization for spouses of FSM citizens, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Section 204 of title 7 of the Code of the
2 Federated States of Micronesia is hereby amended to read as
3 follows:

4 "Section 204. Naturalization.

5 (1) A person may be naturalized as a citizen of the
6 Federated States of Micronesia in a manner or form
7 prescribed by laws or regulation if the person:

8 (a) shall have lawfully resided within the
9 Federated States of Micronesia, whether prior or
10 subsequent to the effective date of the Constitution, for
11 at least five years immediately preceding the date of
12 filing his petition for naturalization;

13 (b) is a child of a citizen, or is a national, of
14 the Federated States of Micronesia;

15 (c) upon naturalization, shall have renounced
16 previous citizenship and allegiance to any and all
17 foreign powers and rulers, and submitted positive and
18 verifiable documentary evidence of said renunciations,

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1 and taken an oath of allegiance in a manner and form
2 prescribed by law or regulation;

3 (d) has competence in at least one of the
4 indigenous languages of the Federated States of
5 Micronesia evidenced by passing a language examination
6 prepared and administered by the President or his
7 designee; and

8 (e) has not been convicted of a felony as defined
9 by the laws of the place where conviction took place.

10 (2) The President, on Congress' recommendation by bill,
11 may naturalize a person as a citizen of the Federated
12 States of Micronesia in a manner or form prescribed by
13 laws or regulation if the person:

14 (a) is in compliance with the criteria set out in
15 subsections 204 (1)(a), (c), (d) and (e), above; and

16 (b) is a spouse of a citizen of the Federated
17 States of Micronesia.
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03, 20, 2008

Manny Mori
President
Federated States of Micronesia