April 17, 2009

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

Dear Speaker Figir:

I have designated the following Congressional Act as Public Law No. 15-74.

Congressional Act No. 15-80, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND TITLE 2 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA, AS AMENDED, BY AMENDING SECTION 203 THEREOF, TO PROPERLY PLACE THE PROJECT MANAGEMENT UNIT FOR THE COMPACT INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS UNDER THE APPROPRIATE DEPARTMENT AT THE FSM NATIONAL GOVERNMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Please allow me to point out that the constitutional difficulties I raised in my veto message have remained unresolved. In the spirit of continued consultation and dialogue to find solutions to this challenge, I encourage both branches of our government to have our legal staffs and advisors analyze the constitutional repercussions and implications of this piece of legislation. I also urge that we jointly persist in the pursuit of refinement in our laws to implement the legal design as envisioned in our fundamental law.

I thank you for the time and efforts that you and your colleagues in Congress have spent on this matter.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Manny Mori
President

Enclosures:

XC: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court
Secretary, Department of Justice
Legislative Counsel, CFSM
Library, CFSM
Director, SBOC
PIO, FSM
April 2, 2009

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

Dear President Mori:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 15-80, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND TITLE 2 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA, AS AMENDED, BY AMENDING SECTION 203 THEREOF, TO PROPERLY PLACE THE PROJECT MANAGEMENT UNIT FOR THE COMPACT INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS UNDER THE APPROPRIATE DEPARTMENT AT THE FSM NATIONAL GOVERNMENT, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was repassed on March 28, by the Fifteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Seventh Special Session, 2009, by a three-fourths 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

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INTRODUCED BY: SENATOR MOSES A. NELSON
DATE: SEPTEMBER 24, 2008

REPASSSED: MARCH 28, 2009

Liwiana K. Ramon
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress
ACT NO. 15-80

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 15-153)

I hereby certify that on March 28 the foregoing act was repassed by the Fifteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Seventh Special Session, 2009, by a three-fourths vote of all the State delegations as required under article IX, section 2(q), of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia.

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

To further amend title 2 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended, by amending section 203 thereof, to properly place the Project Management Unit for the Compact Infrastructure Grants under the appropriate Department at the FSM National Government, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 203 of title 2 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 5-21, 6-62, 7-97, 10-55 and 15-09, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Section 203. Departments.

(1) There shall be the following departments which shall be responsible for major programs or administrative support areas in the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia:

(a) Department of Resources and Development;
(b) Department of Finance and Administration;
(c) Department of Foreign Affairs;
(d) Department of Health and Social Affairs;
(e) Department of Justice;
(f) Department of Transportation, Communication and Infrastructure, which shall contain among other units, a Project Management Unit for the Compact Infrastructure Grants; and
(g) Department of Education.

(2) The administrative head of each department shall be designated as a "Secretary".

(3) The administrative head of each office shall be designated as a "Director".

(4) Succession.

(a) Any reference to a previously existing department, office or division thereof shall apply to the appropriate successor entity.

(b) Any reference to any office or employee of an entity referred to in subsection (4)(a) of this section shall be construed as applying to the person holding the same or most similar position in the appropriate successor entity."
Section 2. This act shall become law upon approval by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming law without such approval.

Overruled

March 28, 2009

Manny Mori
President
Federated States of Micronesia