

A RESOLUTION

To indicate approval of the application for a grant from the United States Department of Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service Administration, titled: FSM SAMH Strategic Prevention Framework - State Incentive Grant: SPF-SIG Micronesia, which grant, if awarded, will provide \$1.3 million each year for five years.

1 WHEREAS, the President of the Federated States of Micronesia
2 has communicated to the Congress, via P.C. No. 16-23, that the FSM
3 has applied for a new grant from United States Department of
4 Health and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health
5 Service Administration (SAMHSA); and,

6 WHEREAS, the focus of the grant is to provide resources and
7 capacity to implement the SAMH Strategic Prevention Framework,
8 which is based on prevention of substance abuse, particularly
9 alcohol and tobacco, at the community level; and,

10 WHEREAS, a 2006 report on substance abuse has shown that:
11 four of the top five causes of mortality in the FSM are tobacco
12 related, 45% of all suicides are occasioned by alcohol use,
13 alcohol related offences account for at least 50% of law
14 enforcement contacts in every FSM state, and 46% of youth, ages
15 13-15, reported current tobacco use, demonstrating that the need
16 for a Strategic Prevention Framework is critical; and

17 WHEREAS, the partners in this proposal are the COM-FSM, the
18 FSM State Departments of Health, the FSM Substance Abuse and
19 Mental Health Programs and NGOs; and,

1 WHEREAS, this grant, if awarded will benefit the citizens of
2 the FSM and particularly our youth; now, therefore,

3 BE IT RESOLVED that the Congress supports the continued
4 pursuit of the a grant from the United States Department of Health
5 and Human Services, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Service
6 Administration, titled: FSM SAMH Strategic Prevention Framework -
7 State Incentive Grant: SPF-SIG Micronesia.

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
9 Resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated States
10 of Micronesia, the Governors of each of the States, the President
11 of COM-FSM, the FSM Secretary of the Department of Health, the
12 Heads of the Department of Health and Education in each of the
13 States, and the involved NGOs in each of the States.

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15 Date: 9/24/09

Introduced by: /s/ Setiro Paul
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