October 27, 2011

The Honorable Isaac V. Figir
Speaker
17th FSM Congress
Palikir, Pohnpei State, FM 96941

Dear Speaker Figir:

I hereby designate as Public Law No. 17-25, the following Congressional Act which became law without signature:

Congressional Act No. 17-21, "AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-31, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 15-54, 15-79, 16-2, 16-21, 16-28, 16-51, 16-59 AND 17-13 BY FURTHER AMENDING SECTION 1 THEREOF TO CHANGE THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED"

This congressional act amends funding for public projects and social programs for the State of Pohnpei, as originally appropriated pursuant to Public Law No. 15-54 on September 30, 2008. The public law underwent numerous amendments, and there were five of them in 2010. Congress passed the latest amendment at a special session in July, and the amendment took effect on August 19, 2011. This congressional act is another attempt at changing the use of fund that has very recently undergone another amendment. In my view, these repeated changes and amendments cast serious doubt on the stability of public project appropriation.

For the above reason, I withhold my signature on this matter.

With warm personal regards, I remain,

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Manny Mori
President

Enclosures:

xc:
Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court
Acting Secretary, Department of Justice
Director, Office of SBOC
Legislative Counsel, CFM
Library, CFM
PIO, FSM
September 27, 2011

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. 17-21, "AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-31, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 15-54, 15-79, 16-2, 16-21, 16-28, 16-51, 16-59 AND 17-13, BY FURTHER AMENDING SECTION 1 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE STATE OF Pohnpei, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was passed by the Seventeenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Regular Session, 2011, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis  
Chief Clerk, Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

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TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 15-31, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 15-54, 15-79, 16-2, 16-21, 16-28, 16-51, 16-59 AND 17-13, BY FURTHER AMENDING SECTION 1 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE OF CERTAIN FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE STATE OF Pohnpei, and for other purposes.

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: DOHSIS HALBERT
DATE: SEPTEMBER 19, 2011

REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
WITHDRAWN – SEPTEMBER 22, 2011
FIRST READING: SEPTEMBER 22, 2011
SECOND READING: SEPTEMBER 26, 2011

Liwiana Ramon Ioakis
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress
ACT NO. 17-21

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 17-50)

We hereby certify that on September 26 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Seventeenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Regular Session, 2011, 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.

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

Liwiana Ramon Ioaonis
Chief Clerk
Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia
SEVENTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA
SECOND REGULAR SESSION, 2011

CONRESSIONAL BILL NO. 17-50

AN ACT

To amend Public Law No. 15-31, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 15-54, 15-79, 16-2, 16-21, 16-28, 16-51, 16-59 and 17-13, by further amending section 1 thereof, to change the use of certain funds previously appropriated therein for the State of Pohnpei, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 1 of Public Law No. 15-31, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 15-54, 15-79, 16-02, 16-21, 16-28, 16-51, 16-59 and 17-13, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"Section 1. The sum of $342,000 is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008 for the purpose of funding public projects in the State of Pohnpei, and is apportioned as follows:

1. Lewetik water extension ................ $ 20,000
2. Kolonia Town Court House ............... 42,000
3. (3) Upper Ipwal to Upper Roie Road construction ....................... 96,080
4. (4) Tomara Road concrete completion ..... 10,000
5. (5) Nanmadap Road concrete completion ... 5,000
6. (6) Students' financial assistance (COM-FSM) ......................... 25,596
7. (7) Project management .................... 43,920"
(8) Kapingamarangi Bridge repair ........ $13,000
(9) Construction related equipment
  (wheelbarrow and push-cart) ................. 9,175
(10) Peidie road ......................... 60,000
(11) Acquisition of PVC pipes .............. 5,699
(12) Nanpohnmal road construction ........ 11,530"

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.

________________________, 2011

[Signature]

Manny Mori
President
Federated States of Micronesia