STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-74

RE: C.R. NO. 18-85/EX AFF

SUBJECT: APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,327,595 FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS.

DECEMBER 03, 2013

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert Speaker, Eighteenth Congress Federated States of Micronesia Second Special Session, 2013

Dear Speaker,

Your Committee on External Affairs, to which was jointly referred C.R. No. 18-85 entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,327,595 FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION OFFICE OF SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS, INCLUDING ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE ASSISTANCE.",

begs leave to report as follows:

The intent and purpose of this resolution are expressed in its title.

On November 29, 2013 your Committee held hearings regarding the above-captioned C.R. No. 18-85 jointly with the Committee on Education. Your Committee also believes that funding for special education for our Nation's disabled children is very important. Your Committee on Education is very supportive of the special education program this grant will support, and as the activities proposed under the grant are squarely in its purview, therefore, your Committee on External Affairs defers to their conclusions regarding the grant under consideration in C.R. No. 18-85. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-74

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Your Committee is satisfied regarding the overall positive impact this grant would have on education, government and civil society. Your Committee on External Affairs is in accord with the intent and purposes of C.R. No. 18-85, and concurs with the Committee on Education in recommending its adoption.

Respectfully submitted,

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