## STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-88

RE: C.R. NO. 18-62/H&SA

SUBJECT: ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF

\$44,930 FROM THE UNITED STATES

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND

PREVENTION.

DECEMBER 04, 2013

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

Dear Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs, to which was jointly referred C.R. No. 18-62 entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$44,930 FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION, TO FUND THE PREVENTIVE HEALTH SERVICES PROJECT IN THE FSM, INCLUDING ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS.",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

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The resolution this grant would provide funding for the Department of Health & Social Affairs to conduct education and awareness campaigns in the four States regarding disease prevention.

Your Committee held a joint public hearing with the Committee on External Affairs on December 2, 2013. In attendance were representatives from the Department of Health and Social Affairs, the Department of Finance and Administration, SBOC, the Department of Justice and the Office of President.

The Secretary of Health and Social Affairs confirmed that this grant is a block grant that has been received for many years for this purpose, however, in recent years the funding has been much decreased. When queried on the reduction of funds the Secretary stated that there are more applicants for funding now and the grant has been reduced for each recipient.

The current plan for these grant monies is to supplement work done in each of the four States by providing some assistance for supplies, printing and other recurring expenditures to increase awareness as to chronic and preventable diseases. Further, it was stated that the rise of non-communicable disease in the Nation makes this education and awareness campaign even more important.

Your Committee is very satisfied with the work being done by the Department in this area. Your Committee agrees that funding in the form of the proposed grant is necessary.

Your Committee would like to offer the following amendment to C.R. No. 18-62 as follows:

1. Page 1, line 17, delete "Regular" and insert "Special" in lieu thereof.

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Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is in accord with the intent and purposes of C.R. No. 18-62 and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as C.R. No. 18-62, C.D.1.

Respectfully submitted,

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