## STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-118

RE: C.R. NO. 18-106/H&SA

SUBJECT: ACCEPTING A GRANT FROM THE INTERNATIONAL

INFORMATION NETWORKING CENTER FOR INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE IN THE

AMOUNT OF \$5,000.

JANUARY 30, 2014

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert Speaker, Eighteenth Congress Federated States of Micronesia Third Regular Session, 2014

Dear Speaker,

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs, to which was jointly referred C.R. No. 18-106 entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000 FROM THE INTERATIONAL INFORMATION AND NETWORKING CENTER FOR INTANGIBLE CULTURAL HERITAGE IN THE ASIA-PACIFIC REGION, TO FUND THE JOINT PUBLICATION PROJECT, 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.

The resolution would approve a grant to fund the Federated States of Micronesia National Archives, Culture and Historic Preservation Office to publish a book on traditional knowledge in the pacific.

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Your Committee held a joint public hearing with the Committee on External Affairs on January 20, 2014. In attendance were representatives from the Department of Health and Social Affairs, the FSM National Archives, Culture and Historic Preservation Office and the Department of Justice.

The Acting Director for the National Archives Office confirmed for the Committee that this grant would begin the process of information collection, writing and editing for a book on traditional knowledge in the pacific islands. This book would be entitled "Traditional Wisdom of the Pacific Islands", and would enhance the visibility of the intangible cultural heritage of our Nation.

Your Committee agrees that publication of a book on our intangible cultural heritage is important for the Federated States of Micronesia. Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is in accord with the intent and purposes of C.R. No. 18-106, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto.

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Respectfully submitted,

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/s/ Peter M. Christian	/s/ Yosiwo P. George
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/s/ Joseph J. Urusemal
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