STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-16

RE: C.R. NO. 18-17/H&SA

SUBJECT: APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT ASSISTANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$209,129

FROM THE U.S. NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND.

May 30, 2013

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert Speaker, Eighteenth Congress Federated States of Micronesia First Regular Session, 2013

Dear Speaker,

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs, to which was jointly referred C.R. No. 18-17 entitled:

"RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT ASSISTANCE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$209,129 FROM THE U.S. NATIONAL PARK SERVICE HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND, TO FUND THE POHNPEI PRESERVATION OFFICE, INCLUDING ALL 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 funding to continue work in the areas of historic preservation. This grant will support work already being done through our Office of National Archives, Culture and Historic Preservation. As your Committee has been well informed in the past by the Office much of the preservation work is difficult, time-consuming and costly to properly execute. For such a small country the Federated States of Micronesia is unusually blessed with a rich heritage, and one in need of historical preservation action if our future generations are to benefit from it.

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Your Committee held a joint public hearing with the Committee on External Affairs on May 28, 2013. In attendance were representatives from the Department of Health and Social Affairs, the Department of Foreign Affairs, the Department of Justice and the Office of President.

Your Committee is satisfied regarding the overall positive impact this grant would have on historical preservation. Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is in accord with the intent and purposes of C.R. No. 18-17, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as C.R. No. 18-70.

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Respectfully submitted,

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