STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-169

RE: C.R. NO. 18-152/H&SA

SUBJECT: APPROVING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$44,930 TO FUND

PREVENTIVE HEALTH SERVICES IN THE FSM.

MAY 31, 2014

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

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs, to which was jointly referred C.R. No. 18-152 entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$44,930 FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION, TO FUND THE PREVENTIVE HEALTH SERVICES IN THE FSM, 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.

Your committee held a joint public hearing with the Committee on External Affairs on May 28, 2014.

The Secretary of the Department of Health and Social Affairs confirmed for the Committee that this grant will supplement work being done in all four states to promote health and prevent disease. A discussion was held during the hearing where the Secretary and her staff briefed the Committee again on the large number of non-communicable disease cases in our Nation. Much of the awareness and community work

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being done at this time is to prevent these diseases by assisting and changing their lifestyles. Several grants support the work in this area and this grant would be divided evenly throughout the States to further the awareness campaigns.

Your committee believes that the above-captioned grant will improve the health and well-being of our Nation's citizens, and enable the National and State Departments of Health continue much needed programs.

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is in accord with the intent and purposes of C.R. No. 18-152, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto.

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