STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-227

RE: C.R. NO. 18-206/H&SA

SUBJECT: APPROVING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF

\$99,145 TO FUND THE FSM PREVENTIVE HEALTH AND HEALTH SERVICES PROJECT.

SEPTEMBER 27, 2014

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

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs, to which was jointly referred C.R. No. 18-206 entitled:

"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$99,145 FROM THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION, TO FUND THE FSM PREVENTIVE HEALTH AND HEALTH SERVICES 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.

On September 24, 2014, your committee held hearings regarding the above-captioned C.R. No. 18-206 jointly with the Committee on External Affairs. The Committee was advised that this grant is partial funding under a block grant that pays for the non-communicable disease prevention and control programs. In recent years your committee has been briefed several times regarding the alarming effects of the non-communicable diseases throughout our Nation,

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particularly those associated with obsesity and nutrition. This grant will assist in providing supplies for awareness campaigns in all the four States. Your committee believes this grant will have a positive impact on the health of our Nation's citizens and that financial support for this new program is desirable.

The Secretary of the Department of Health and Social Affairs and her relevant staff gave a brief summary of this program. It is noted that funding will be apportioned through the four States and the National Department of Health and Social Affairs. In the attached budget the summary provides the cost of supplies and services to be used. The budget for this grant is attached.

Overall your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is supportive of the program that this grant will support. Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is in accord with the intent and purposes of C.R. No. 18-206, and upon concurrence with your Committee on External Affairs recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto.

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Respectfully submitted,

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