

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 18-288

RE: C.R. NO. 18-262/H&SA

SUBJECT: TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF MR. ARTHY NENA TO
SERVE AS A MEMBER REPRESENTING THE FSM NATIONAL
GOVERNMENT ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR FSM
MICARE.

APRIL 15, 2015

The Honorable Dohsis Halbert
Speaker, Eighteenth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Seventh Special Session, 2015

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs, to which was
referred C.R. No. 18-262 entitled:

"A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF MR. ARTHY
NENA TO SERVE AS A MEMBER REPRESENTING THE FSM
NATIONAL GOVERNMENT ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR FSM
MICARE, PURSUANT TO TITLE 52 OF THE CODE OF THE
FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC
LAWS NOS. 12-77 AND 14-49.",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

On April 13, 2015 your Committee held hearings regarding
the above-captioned C.R. No. 18-262. The Administrator of
MiCare was present at the hearing and stated that the
nominee was unavailable due to prior scheduled travel
commitments.

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The nominee is well known to the Committee and has held several government positions in public health over the last thirty years.

The Administrator stated that the nominee's experience and dedication make him an excellent choice for membership on the MiCare Board of Directors at this time. The Administrator noted that the nominee has a public health and medical background. The Administrator stated that it is critical to have board members who are able to efficiently deal with backlog issues facing it at this time. The Administrator also reminded the Committee that it needs the two nominations before Congress confirmed in order to have a quorum for the Board.

Your Committee would like to offer the following amendments to C.R. No. 18-262, to read as follows:

1. Heading, delete "Sixth Special Session", and insert "Seventh Special Session" in lieu thereof.
2. Page 2, line 3, delete "Sixth Special Session" and insert "Seventh Special Session", in lieu thereof.

The Committee believes that the nominee is well qualified. It also heard from the Administrator that the President and national health community are supportive of this nominee. The nominee has indicated to the national leadership his willingness to continue working hard to improve the provision of health insurance to the Nation. The Committee did comment that it will be having an oversight hearing with MiCare on other issues this session.

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Absent any contrary indication, your Committee believes that the nominee should be confirmed, and so recommends Mr. Arthy Nena, be confirmed as a member of the Board of Directors of MiCare. Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is in accord with the intent and purposes of C.R. No. 18-262, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto, as C.R. No. 18-262, C.D.1.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Tony H. Otto
Tony H. Otto, chairman

/s/ Tiwiter Aritos
Tiwiter Aritos, vice chairman

/s/ Peter M. Christian
Peter M. Christian, member

/s/ Yosiwo P. George
Yosiwo P. George, member

/s/ Florencio S. Harper
Florencio S. Harper, member

/s/ David W. Panuelo
David W. Panuelo, member

/s/ Joseph J. Urusemal
Joseph J. Urusemal, member