EIGHTEENTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FIFTH REGULAR SESSION, 2014

C.R. NO. 18-196

A RESOLUTION

Approving and accepting a International Development Association Grant in the amount of \$14,400,000, to fund the implementation of the FSM Energy Sector Development Project, including all the terms and conditions of the assistance.

1 WHEREAS, on May 29, 2014, the Executive Directors of the 2 Board of the International Development Authority (IDA) approved 3 a grant to the Federated States of Micronesia in the amount of 4 \$14,400,000; and

5 WHEREAS, the IDA grant will be used to implement the FSM 6 Energy Sector Development Program, which was formulated on 7 behalf of the Federated States of Micronesia through 8 consultation with the state authorities in regard to the energy 9 need of each state; and

10 WHEREAS, the Project involves three (3) main components, 11 as follows, Component 1: Increasing available generation 12 capacity and efficiency of electricity supply in the state 13 power utilities (\$9.27 million), Component 2: National and 14 state energy planning (\$3.40 million), and Component 3: 15 Technical assistance and project management (\$1.50 million); 16 and

WHEREAS, Component 1 will be used for the acquisition and installation for the following equipment: New generator sets – 2MW for the Pohnpei Utilities Corporation (PUC); 1.2MW for the Kosrae Utility Authority (KUA), and 1.5MW for the Yap State Public Services Corporation (YSPSC) Capacitor banks,
temperature compensated digital fuel meters and prepaid meters
for YSPSC); and 200kw of grid connected photovoltaic
generators, as well as upgrading of the public street lighting
system to a more efficient system (minimum 20 lamps), for the
Chuuk Public Utility Corporation (CPUC); and

7 WHEREAS, Component 2 of the Project will finance the 8 preparation of National Energy Master Plan that incorporated 9 the master plans for each of the FSM States in order to achieve 10 national goals in the energy sector, which includes reduction 11 of reliance on imported fuels, increase in access to modern 12 energy services, and increase in renewable energy (30 percent 13 by 2020) and energy efficiency; and

WHEREAS, Component 3, which is for technical assistance 14 15 and project management will build the capacity of the implanting agency, the energy Divisions in the FSM Department 16 of Resources and Development, and the Association of 17 Micronesian Utilities for: (i) sector data collection, 18 statistics, and the development of an information management 19 system; (ii) utility benchmarking; and (iii) implementation of 20 the National Energy Policy. This component will also 21 22 contribute to broadening the dialogue on the important matters that affect the energy sector, including the development of a 23 utilities reform program to improve sustainability of 24 25 operations; and

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1 WHEREAS, the implementation of the various components of 2 the Project, complemented by the assistance from other 3 development partners, is expected to result over time in the more efficient and reliable operations of the state utilities, 4 increased electricity converge, and ultimately cost savings to 5 the end users; and 6 7 WHEREAS, the IDA Grant is a foreign financial assistance, 8 which the law requires for its validity the acceptance by 9 Congress through resolution; now, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED by the Eighteenth Congress of the Federated 10 11 States of Micronesia, Fifth Regular Session, 2014, that 12 Congress hereby approves and accepts the IDA Grant in the amount of \$14,400,000 as described above, including all the 13 terms and conditions of the IDA grant; and 14 15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated 16 States of Micronesia. 17 18 Introduced by: /s/ Florencio S. Harper 19 Date: <u>9/17/14</u> Florencio S. Harper 20 (by request) 21 22 23 24