The Honorable Wesley W. Simina  
Speaker  
Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia  
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear Speaker Simina:

I am transmitting the following Congressional Act, which I have signed to become Public Law No. 19-90:

Congressional Act No. 19-85: AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 40 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA (ANNOTATED), AS AUTHORIZED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-86, BY CREATING A NEW SUB-CHAPTER VIII UNDER CHAPTER 3, TO ESTABLISH A NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP BOARD, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

I wish to express appreciation for the efforts of the 19th Congress in passing the act. I also wish to remind Congress that in view of the importance of the duties and responsibilities vested upon the scholarship board, public funds are needed to support its operation. Therefore, I will be seeking Congressional support for a budget of the Scholarship Board in due course.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Peter M. Christian  
President

Enclosures:

Xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court  
  Secretary, Department of Justice  
  Secretary, Department of Finance and Administration  
  Legislative Counsel, CFSM  
  Library, CFSM  
  FSM PIO
May 26, 2016

His Excellency Peter M. Christian
President
Federated States of Micronesia
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear President Christian:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 19-85, "AN ACT TO AMEND TITLE 40 OF THE CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA (ANNOTATED), AS AUTHORIZED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 18-86, BY CREATING A NEW SUB-CHAPTER VIII UNDER CHAPTER 3, TO ESTABLISH A NATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP BOARD, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was passed by the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session, 2016, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk, Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia

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INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: ISAAC V. FIGIR

DATE: MAY 14, 2015

REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

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SECOND READING: MAY 23, 2016

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress
ACT NO. 19-85

(Congressional Bill No. 19-03, C.D.1)

We hereby certify that on May 23 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Nineteenth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular Session, 2016, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required under article IX, section 20, of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia.

Wesley W. Simina
Speaker
Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk
Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia
AN ACT

To amend title 40 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as authorized by Public Law No. 18-86, by creating a new sub-chapter VIII under chapter 3, to establish a national scholarship board, and for other purposes.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA:

Section 1. Section 108 of title 40 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as authorized by Public Law No. 18-96, is hereby amended, by adding a new sub-chapter VIII under Chapter 3, entitled: "National Scholarship Board".

Section 2. Title 40 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as authorized by Public Law No. 18-96, is hereby amended by adding a new section 390 under subchapter VIII of chapter 3, to read as follows:

"Section 390. Establishment of Scholarship Board. The National Scholarship Board of the Federated States of Micronesia is hereby established, and will hereinafter be referred to as "the Scholarship Board."

Section 3. Title 40 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as authorized by Public Law No. 18-96, is hereby amended by adding a new section 391 under subchapter VIII of chapter 3, to read as follows:

"Section 391. Powers and responsibilities of the
Scholarship Board.

The Scholarship Board has the following powers and responsibilities:

(1) to operate as the sole authority to make post-secondary scholarships, financial aid and grant awards from national appropriations designated for that purpose;

(2) to develop detailed guidelines and regulations regarding the applications, evaluations, awards and monitoring process for post-secondary scholarships, financial aid and grant awards from the National Government; these guidelines and regulations shall include, but not be limited to: eligibility requirements, basis of award guidelines, priority and award class guidelines, priority areas of study, timing for applications and financial disbursements;

(3) to operate and manage the evaluations, awards and monitoring of scholarships, financial aid and grant awards based on regulations it has developed, to provide for an unbiased, merit based awards system;

(4) to plan for the expansion and improvement of the services and awards provided through the Scholarship Board;

(5) to coordinate with the State and Municipal Governments regarding awards of post-secondary
Fulfilled by the appointment of the President, otherwise

Where a vacancy is for one year or less, it shall be

Board shall be filled for the unexpired term only.

shall serve a three-year term. Any vacancies on the

after consultation with that State's Governor. Members

shall amount to which the President shall make that nomination only

states. For nominations for the members representing

Government, and one member each for each of the four

subtitles. One member shall represent the National

operate the Scholarship Board authorized by this

Congress, to the United States of Morocco, to

members nominated by the President and confirmed by the

The Scholarship Board shall be composed of five voting

"Section 392. Composition of the Scholarship Board.

Chapter 3, to read as follows:

 hereby amended by adding a new section 392 under Subchapter VII of

Micronesia (Annotated), as authorized by Public Law No. 124-96, is

Section 4. Title 40 of the Code of the Federated States of

"Grants are prepared.

Secondary awards for scholarships, financial aid and

accounts reflecting all expenses, liabilities and post-

(7) to ensure that proper and complete books of

in post-secondary programs;

(6) to promote the education and training of students

scholarships, financial aid and grants;

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vacancies shall be filled by nomination by the President
and confirmation by Congress."

Section 5. Title 40 of the Code of the Federated States of
Micronesia (Annotated), as authorized by Public Law No. 18-96, is
hereby amended by adding a new section 393 under subtitle VIII of
chapter 3, to read as follows:

"Section 393. Regular meetings of the Scholarship
Board. Regular meetings shall be held not less than
four times per calendar year, at such times and places
as shall be determined by the Scholarship Board."

Section 6. Title 40 of the Code of the Federated States of
Micronesia (Annotated), as authorized by Public Law No. 18-96, is
hereby amended by adding a new section 394 under subchapter VIII
of chapter 3, to read as follows:

"Section 394. Quorum of the Scholarship Board. A
quorum of all regular business of the Scholarship Board
shall be three members."

Section 7. Title 40 of the Code of the Federated States of
Micronesia (Annotated), as authorized by Public Law No. 18-96, is
hereby amended by adding a new section 395 under subchapter VIII
of chapter 3, to read as follows:

"Section 395. Record of meetings of the Scholarship
Board. Full and accurate minutes of all meetings shall
be kept, including any documents and evaluations that
form the basis of awards of the post-secondary
scholarships, financial aid and grants."

Section 8. Title 40 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as authorized by Public Law No. 18-96, is hereby amended by adding a new section 396 under subchapter VIII of chapter 3, to read as follows:

"Section 396. Compensation of members of the Scholarship Board. Members of the Scholarship Board shall serve without compensation, but be entitled to receive travel cost and per diem at the National Government rates when attending board meetings or engaged in the performance of duties authorized by the Scholarship Board."

Section 9. This act shall become law upon approval by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming law without such approval.

June 6th, 2016

Peter M. Christian
President
Federated States of Micronesia