

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 24-09

RE: C.R. NO. 24-18/H&SA

SUBJECT: A GRANT FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES FOR SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING FOR FAMILY PLANNING IN THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA.

MAY 29, 2025

The Honorable Esmond B. Moses
Speaker, Twenty-Fourth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
First Regular Session, 2025

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs to which was referred C.R. No. 24-18, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION TO APPROVING AND ACCEPTING A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$168,340, FROM THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY, TO PROVIDE SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING TO SUPPORT THE PROJECT ENTITLED: "CREATING EQUITY BY IMPROVING SERVICES QUALITY AND REACH OF FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES IN THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA," 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 the title.

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Your Committee held a hearing on the above captioned resolution on May 27, 2025. In attendance at the hearing were witnesses from the Department of Health and Social Affairs. It was explained to the Committee that this grant will supplement the ongoing program of planning and targeting specifically more remote areas in our Nation. The funding will support existing staff of the program. It will provide needed funding for supplies and equipment. The funding will work nicely with the additional money from the India Partnership and should better assist our underserved citizens.

The Committee inquired regarding the budget breakdown for this funding and was advised that funding will be given according to the formula already in place for the program.

The Committee is encouraged that more resources and healthcare professionals will be available for our underserved communities through this grant.

The Committee on Health and Social Affairs has reviewed C.R. No. 24-18 and considered all the testimony and documents received at the May 27, 2025, hearing. Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 24-18 and recommends its adoption by Congress.

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Respectfully submitted,

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