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COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 24-26

RE: C.R. NO. 24-100/EDUCATION

JANUARY 22, 2026

The Honorable Esmond B. Moses
Speaker, Twenty-Fourth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Third Regular Session, 2026

RE: NOMINATION OF MR. ROGER ARNOLD TO SERVE AS A BOARD MEMBER
OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE COLLEGE OF MICRONESIA-
FSM, REPRESENTING THE STATE OF CHUUK.

Dear Speaker:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred Congressional
Resolution No. 24-100, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF MR. ROGER
ARNOLD TO SERVE AS A BOARD MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF
REGENTS OF THE COLLEGE OF MICRONESIA-FSM, REPRESENTING
THE STATE OF CHUUK.",

begs leave to report as follows:

The intent and purpose of Congressional Resolution No. 24-100
are expressed in its title.

Your Committee on Education held a public hearing on the
nomination of Mr. Roger Arnold on January 20, 2026. The
witnesses present at the hearing included the President of COM-
FSM, a representative from the COM-FSM Board of Regents, COM-FSM
key staff, a representative from the Office of the President, a
representative from the Department of Justice and the nominee
who appeared via zoom.

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Mr. Arnold has been nominated to represent the State of Chuuk on the COM-FSM Board of Regents. He has been the Chuuk State Chief Economist since 2018 and was a professor at COM-FSM for ten years prior to that. At COM-FSM Mr. Arnold taught business and math courses and was the chairman of the Department of Business and Computer Science. Mr. Arnold is very familiar with both the instruction and student services, as well as, administration and budget issues at COM-FSM. With a master's degree in business administration Mr. Arnold brings the business, economics and management talent necessary to work on COM-FSM's many challenging issues.

The nomination was suggested by Chuuk State Governor who strongly supports Mr. Arnold for this position. Mr. Arnold stated that although he has a busy professional position he believes he has the time to attend board meetings, make a proper review of the issues and assist particularly with budgetary matters. When asked specifically about the land issues surrounding the COM-FSM Chuuk campus Mr. Arnold stated he was very familiar with the matter, and had some opinions as how to resolve this longstanding problem. During his professional life he has been involved in Chuuk State land reform.

All witnesses present support the nomination of Mr. Arnold. Mr. Arnold is known to the Committee, and has a good reputation professionally and as a disciplined, hard worker. No negative or detracting comments regarding this nomination have been submitted to your Committee. The nominee is clearly qualified for membership in the Board of Regents for COM-FSM. Therefore, without contrary evidence the Committee defers to the President and to COM-FSM and its Board of Regents in this matter.

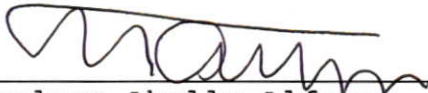
In consideration of the above, your Committee on Education recommends Mr. Roger Arnold to be confirmed to serve as the Chuuk State representative on the Board of Regents for the College of Micronesia-FSM. The Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 24-100, and recommends its adoption.

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Respectfully submitted,



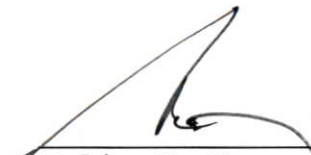
Merlynn Abello-Alfonso, chairwoman



Esmond B. Moses, member




Perpetua S. Konman, member



Julio M. Marar, member

Jermy W. Mudong, member



Yoslyn G. Sigrah, member

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A RESOLUTION

To confirm the nomination of Mr. Roger Arnold to serve as a board member of the Board of Regents of the College of Micronesia-FSM, representing the state of Chuuk.

1 WHEREAS, the President of the Federated States of
2 Micronesia has nominated Mr. Roger Arnold to serve on the
3 College of Micronesia – FSM Board of Regents (“Board”) as the
4 representative of the state of Chuuk; and

5 WHEREAS, this nomination is subject to the advice and
6 consent of Congress pursuant to section 706(1)(b) of title 40
7 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated);
8 and

9 WHEREAS, Mr. Arnold has the essential professional
10 experience and qualifications making him a suitable candidate
11 to serve on the Board; now, therefore,

12 BE IT RESOLVED by the Twenty-Fourth Congress of the
13 Federated States of Micronesia, Third Regular Session, 2026,
14 that Congress hereby confirms the nomination of Mr. Roger
15 Arnold to serve as a member of the Board of Regents of the
16 College of Micronesia – FSM, representing Chuuk State; and


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1 BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 resolution be transmitted to the President of the Federated
3 States of Micronesia, the Secretary of the Department of
4 Education, the Board of Regents of the College of Micronesia-
5 FSM, and Mr. Roger Arnold.

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7 Date: 1/14/26

Introduced by: _____


Julio M. Marar
(by request)

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