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A BILL FOR AN ACT

To appropriate the sum of \$14,500, from the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1998, for the purpose of funding State and National competitions in translating the National Anthem, developing uniquely FSM recipes, and in selecting an official national attire, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Purpose. To enhance the nation-building
2 efforts that are in place, it is the sense of the Congress of
3 the Federated States of Micronesia that there is a continuing
4 need to provide the people with opportunities to identify with
5 symbols of our union in this federation. The translation of
6 our National Anthem into at least the four main languages and
7 possibly all the other languages and dialects would give our
8 people a better sense of ownership and identification with our
9 National Anthem. Likewise, the compilation and development of
10 a book of recipes that are unique to our diverse islands would
11 also give our own people as well as visitors a delightful and
12 handy guide to the special cuisine that Micronesia has to
13 offer. Finally, it is consistent with international practice
14 for the FSM to identify its own national attire. The suit and
15 tie is currently our national attire of choice, but there is a
16 need to reevaluate this issue and to consider the possibility
17 of selecting a national attire that better reflects our
18 customary and climatic situation. In consideration of all of
19 the above, it is hereby decided that various State and National
20 competitions be held to: (1) translate the National Anthem
21 into at least the four main languages (Yapese, Chuukese,
22 Pohnpeian, Kosraean); (2) select the best recipes from each
23 State that uniquely reflect the cuisine of the States, for
24 compilation into a book of FSM recipes; and (3) select a FSM
25 national attire for use by FSM National Government officials at

1 national and international functions.

2 Section 2. The sum of \$14,500, or so much thereof as may
3 be necessary, is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of
4 the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending
5 September 30, 1998, for the purpose of funding the various
6 competitions specified in Section 1. This amount is to be
7 allocated as follows:

- 8 (1) National Anthem translation
- 9 competitions.....\$ 2,000
- 10 (2) Local recipe competitions..... 10,000
- 11 (3) National attire selection competition... 2,500

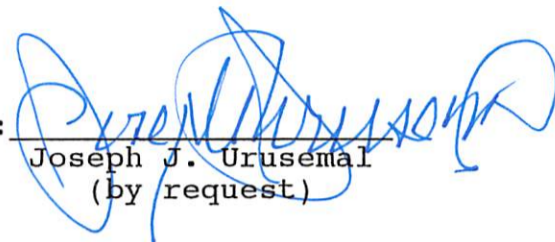
12 Section 3. All funds appropriated by this act shall be
13 allotted, managed, administered, and accounted for in
14 accordance with applicable law, including, but not limited to,
15 the Financial Management Act of 1979. The allottee of the
16 funds appropriated under the Section 2 of this act shall be the
17 President of the Federated States of Micronesia. The allottee
18 shall be responsible for ensuring that these funds, or so much
19 thereof as may be necessary, are used solely for the purpose
20 specified in this act, and that no obligations are incurred in
21 excess of the sum appropriated. The authority of the allottee
22 to obligate funds appropriated by this act shall lapse as
23 of September 30, 1998.

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1 Section 4. This act shall become law upon approval by the
2 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
3 becoming law without such approval.

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5 Date: 10/17/97

Introduced by: 
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