

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 20-101

RE: C.R. NO. 20-142/H&SA

SUBJECT: TO CONFIRM DR. ELIZABETH IEHSI KELLER TO
SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE FSM MICARE BOARD OF
DIRECTORS.

NOVEMBER 15, 2018

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina
Speaker, Twentieth Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Sixth Special Session, 2018

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Health and Social Affairs to which was
referred C.R. No. 20-142, entitled:

"A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF DR.
ELIZABETH IEHSI KELLER TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE FSM
MICARE BOARD OF DIRECTORS REPRESENTING THE STATE OF
POHNPEI.",

begs leave to report as follows:

The intent and purpose of the resolution are expressed in
its title.

This is a re-nomination for Dr. Keller who is currently
serving on the MiCare board. She has served with
distinction over the previous four years. Your Committee
has had several opportunities during the past four years to
receive information on the board and performance of this
nominee. MiCare and its Board of Directors is very
interested in having Dr. Keller continue to serve as a
member of the board.

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The Committee reiterates its strong support for this nominee as stated in its August 16, 2015, report initially recommending Dr. Keller to the MiCare Board of Directors. It is even more clear to the Committee that MiCare needs strong leadership at this challenging point in time with raising healthcare costs and increasing costs for airfare and overseas referrals.

The nominee has had a long medical career serving Pohnpei as a physician and served for four years as Director of the Department of Health Services for Pohnpei State gives her knowledge into both the medical and management aspects of the health insurance program.

The Committee has not received any subsequent communication from any individual or organization that would cast doubt on the performance or integrity of this nominee. Absent any contrary indication, your Committee believes that nominee should be confirmed to the Board of Directors for MiCare.

Your Committee would like to offer the following technical amendment to read as follows:

- 1) Page 1, line 16, delete "Fifth Regular" and insert "Sixth Special" in lieu thereof.

For the reasons set forth above, your Committee on Health and Social Affairs supports the confirmation of the nominee, Dr. Elizabeth Iehsi Keller, to serve as a member of the MiCare Board of Directors representing Pohnpei State, it is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No.20-42, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto as C.R. No. 20-42, C.D.1.

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Respectfully submitted,

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