

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 23-26

RE: C.R. NO. 23-22/EX AFF

SUBJECT: TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF MS. MYJOLYNNNE
MARIE KIM AS THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION AT
THE FSM EMBASSY IN TOKYO, JAPAN.

SEPTEMBER 21, 2023

The Honorable Esmond B. Moses
Speaker, Twenty-Third Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Second Regular Session, 2023

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on External Affairs, to which was referred C.R.
No. 23-22 entitled:

"A RESOLUTION TO CONFIRM THE NOMINATION OF MS. MYJOLYNNNE
MARIE KIM TO SERVE AS THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF MISSION AT THE
FSM EMBASSY IN TOKYO, JAPAN.",

begs leave to report as follows:

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

Your Committee is mindful of the need for continuity in the
operations of its overseas diplomatic offices. This is
particularly true for our Nation's embassy in Japan. Japan is a
very close partner and it hosts many of our young people as
students. The Deputy Chief of Mission works with the ambassador
and deals with the highest policy level decision making, and
therefore, it is important that this position is also filled
with an individual who has integrity and the highest level of
competence. The Deputy Chief of Mission position in Japan is

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particularly important as this overseas mission is very small and each person has an important role to play.

The nominee is well thought of in Chuuk State Government where she is currently serving as the Governor's Chief of Staff. She is known for her dedication to excellence, and knowledge of protocol and state issues. The President recommended the nominee and has stated that she is highly qualified to fill the role of Deputy Chief of Mission to Tokyo, Japan.

Your Committee reviewed the qualifications of this nominee extensively. The representatives from the Department of Foreign Affairs stated that there was great value in including some highly skilled individuals in foreign service leadership that have not been career diplomats. Understanding of the state government and community needs are also very important.

All witnesses spoke favorably of the nominee. Further, the President in his transmission letter with the nomination praised the nominee and stated that it would be in the best interests of the Federated States of Micronesia to have her confirmed.

The Committee is satisfied with the nominee's qualifications and the overall professional abilities. Your Committee also defers to the President and the Department of Foreign Affairs as to the decision to nominate this individual to this post. Absent any contrary indication, your Committee believes that the nominee should be confirmed, and so recommends that Ms. Myjolyenne Marie Kim to serve as the Deputy Chief of Mission at the FSM Embassy in Tokyo, Japan.

Your Committee on External Affairs is in accord with the intent and purpose of C.R. No. 23-22, and recommends its adoption in the form attached hereto.

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Respectfully submitted,

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