September 28, 2023

The Honorable Esmond B. Moses
Speaker
Twenty-third Congress
Federated States of Micronesia
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear Speaker Moses,

I am pleased to transmit the following act, which I have signed to become Public Law No. 23-25:

Congressional Act No. 23-22, entitled: "AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 21-228, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 21-248, 22-12, 22-22, 22-36, 22-74, 22-90 AND 23-18, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3 AND 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE, ALLOTTEE AND LAPSE DATE OF FUNDS APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE PEOPLE OF YAP, KOSRAE, Pohnpei AND Chuuk States, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

I wish to thank you, Speaker Moses, and your esteemed Members of the 23rd FSM Congress for the passage of this act.

Sincerely,

[Signature]
Wesley W. Simina
President
September 20, 2023

His Excellency Wesley W. Simina
President
Federated States of Micronesia
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear President Simina:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 23-22, "AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 21-228, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 21-248, 22-12, 22-22, 22-36, 22-74, 22-90 AND 23-18, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3 AND 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE ALLOTTE AND LAPSE DATE OF FUNDS APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE PEOPLE OF YAP, KOSRAE, Pohnpei AND Chuuk States, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES", which was passed by the Twenty-Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Regular Session, 2023, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Jessicalynn Reyes
Chief Clerk, Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures
An Act

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INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: ISAAC V. FIGIR
DATE: SEPTEMBER 12, 2023

REFERRED TO: WAYS AND MEANS COMMITTEE
WITHDRAWN – SEPTEMBER 20, 2023

FIRST READING: SEPTEMBER 20, 2023
SECOND READING: SEPTEMBER 21, 2023

Jessicalyn Reyes
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress
ACT NO. 23-22

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 23-42, C.D.1, C.D.2)

We hereby certify that on September 21 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Twenty-Third Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Second Regular Session, 2023, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required under article IX, section 20, of the Constitution of the Federated States of Micronesia.

Esmond D. Moses
Speaker
Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia

Jessica Lynn Reyes
Chief Clerk
Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia
AN ACT

To amend Public Law No. 21-228, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 21-248, 22-12, 22-22, 22-36, 22-74, 22-90 and 23-18, by amending sections 3 and 6 thereof, to change the use allottee and lapse date of funds appropriated therein, to fund public projects and social programs for the people of Yap, Kosrae, Pohnpei and Chuuk States, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Section 3 of Public Law No. 21-228, as amended by
2 Public Law No. 21-248 is hereby further amended to read as
3 follows:

   “Section 3. Of the $2,800,000 appropriated under this
   act, $400,000 shall be apportioned for public projects
   and social programs for the people of Kosrae State.
   state of Kosrae................................. $ 400,000
   (1) At Large ................................. 200,000
   (a) Heavy Equipment – Tafunsak
   Municipal Government ......................... 56,000
   (b) Fishing Project ......................... 30,000
   (c) Malem Drinking Water Tanks ....... 30,000
   (d) Palusrik, Utwe Farm Road .......... 25,000
   (e) Medical referral .................... 17,500
   (f) Lelu River/Channel Clearings ... 30,000
   (g) Lelu Youth subsidy ............... 11,500
   (2) Election District No. 1 .......... 200,000
CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 23-42, C.D.1, C.D.2

(a) Canoe building project ........ $ 20,000
(b) Travel and associated
   costs (Central Texas to Kosrae and return) 30,000
(c) Contribution to Community events,
   activities and programs ...................... 20,000
(d) Farm road in Inkoeya, Tafunsak 20,000
(e) Tuitions and other costs for
   a PhD candidate ............................... 40,000
(f) Travel needs during the Pandemic
   for medical reasons .......................... 20,000
(g) Delegation Scholarship Board subsidy 10,000
(h) Scholarships for Kosraean
   students studying in Fiji .................... 40,000

Section 2. Section 6 of Public Law No. 21-228, as amended by
Public Law No. 21-248, is hereby further amended to read as
follows:

"Section 6. Allotment and management of funds and lapse
date. All funds appropriated by this act shall be
allotted, managed, administered and accounted for in
accordance with applicable laws, including, but not
limited to, the Financial Management Act of 1979. The
allottee shall be responsible for ensuring that these
funds, or so much thereof as may be necessary, are used
solely for the purpose specified in this act, and that no
obligations are incurred in excess of the sum
appropriated. The allottee of the funds appropriated under section 2 of this act shall be the Governor of Yap State or his designee. The allottee of funds appropriated under sections 3 and 4 of this act shall be the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or his designee, PROVIDED THAT the allottee of funds appropriated under subsection 3(1) of this act shall be the Governor of Kosrae State or his designee; the allottee of funds appropriated under subsection 3(2) of this act shall be the Mayor of Lelu Town Government or his designee; the allottee of funds appropriated under subsections 4(1) and 4(2) of this act shall be the Secretary of the Department of Transportation, Communications and Infrastructure or his designee; EXCEPT THAT, the allottee of funds appropriated under subsection 4(1)(a) of this act shall be the Secretary of the Department of Health and Social or a designee; the allottee of funds appropriated under subsection 4(1)(b) of this act shall be the Secretary of the Department of Education or his designee; the allottee of funds appropriated under subsection 4(2)(f) of this act shall be the Pohnpei Transportation Authority and the allottee of funds appropriated under subsection 4(2)(m) of this act shall be the President of the COM-FSM; the allottee of funds appropriated under subsection (4)(3) of this act shall be the Pohnpei Transportation Authority;
EXCEPT THAT the allottee of funds appropriated under subsections 4(3)(i) and 4(3)(j) of this act shall be the Luhken Menlap of Kitti or his designee; and the allottee of funds appropriated under subsection 4(3)(k) of this act shall be the President of the Federated States of Micronesia of his designee. The allottee of funds appropriated under subsections 4(4)(d) and 4(4)(e) of this act shall be the Pohnpei Transportation Authority; the allottee of funds appropriated under subsection 4(4)(k) of this act shall be the Mayor of Pingelap Municipal Government or his designee. The allottee of funds appropriated under subsection 4(4)(l) of this act shall be the Mayor of Mwokilloa Municipal Government or his designee. The allottee of the funds appropriated under subsections 5(1) and 5(6) of this act shall be the Governor of Chuuk State or his designee; the allottee of the funds appropriated under subsection 5(2) of this act shall be the Mortlocks Island Development Authority (MIDA); the allottee of funds under subsection 5(3) of this act shall be the Mayor of Weno or his designee; the allottee of the funds appropriated under subsection 5(4) of this act shall be the Southern Namoneas Development Authority; the allottee of the funds appropriated under subsection 5(5) of this act shall be the Faichuk Development Authority. The authority of the allottee to
obligate funds appropriated by this act shall lapse on September 30, 2025."

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

September 28, 2023

Wesley W. Simina
President
Federated States of Micronesia