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. 23-26:

Congressional Act No. 23-23, entitled: "AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 22-37, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 22-45, 22-76, 22-178 AND 23-16, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4 AND 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND LAPSE DATE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS FOR THE PEOPLE OF YAP, KOSRAE, POHNPÉI 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,

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. 23-23, "AN ACT TO AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 22-37, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAWS NOS. 22-45, 22-76, 22-178 AND 23-16, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3, 4 AND 6 THEREOF, TO CHANGE THE USE AND LAPSE DATE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN FOR THE PURPOSE OF FUNDING 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]

Jessica Lynn 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WITHDRAWN – SEPTEMBER 20, 2023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

Jessicaalynn Reyes
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress
ACT NO. 23-23

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 23-43, C.D.1, C.D.2, C.D.3)

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 B. Moses
Speaker
Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia

Jessicaalynn Reyes
Chief Clerk
Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia
AN ACT

To amend Public Law No. 22-37, as amended by Public Laws Nos. 22-45, 22-76, 22-178 and 23-16, by amending sections 3, 4 and 6 thereof, to change the use and lapse date of funds previously appropriated therein for the purpose of funding 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. 22-37, is hereby amended to read as follows:

2. 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.

3. Of the apportionment, at large:

   (1) State Police vehicle(s) purchase: $30,000

   (2) Emergency medical referral assistance: $20,000

   (3) Fomseng farm road: $16,000

   (4) Low Income housing renovation/improvement: $50,000

   (5) Fishing Project: $44,000

   (6) Community activities, events and programs: $20,000

   (7) Public parking and landscaping - Utwe: $20,000

   (8) Election District No. 1: $200,000

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CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 23-43, C.D.1, C.D.2, C.D.3

(a) Contributions to community events, programs and activities .................. $ 20,000
(b) Landfill in Utwe .................... -0-
(c) Purchase of laptop computers ... -0-
(d) Travel and associated costs for a Kosraean group in Pohnpei to Kosrae and return to Pohnpei .................. 20,000
(e) Subsidy for FSM Telecom — Kosrae branch ................................. 50,000
(f) Renovation of a public building in Utwe ................................. -0-
(g) Travel and associated costs for Hafa Adai fellowship — group from Guam to Kosrae and return .................. 20,000
(h) Kosrae Airport area landscaping 20,000
(i) Travels during the pandemic for medical purposes .......................... 20,000
(j) Travel and associated costs for a Kosraean group in Guam to Kosrae and return to Guam .......................... 50,000

Section 2. Section 4 of Public Law No. 22-37, as amended by Public Law No. 22-45, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

“Section 4. Of the $2,800,000 appropriated under this act, $800,000 shall be apportioned for public projects
and social programs for the people of Pohnpei State.

state of Pohnpei..........................$ 800,000

(1) At Large................................. 200,000

(a) U, Takaieu Southeast Community

road improvement ......................... 25,000

(b) U, Takaieu powerline extension .... 25,000

(c) Children medical assistance subsidy 20,000

(d) Students repatriation subsidy ....... 15,000

(e) Lenger Island Community Development 15,000

(f) Administrative support costs ....... 25,000

(g) Paies road repair ..................... 25,000

(h) Pohnpei State Public Safety

Community programs ......................... 15,000

(i) Nanmeir road repair .................. 15,000

(j) Kepin Souna, Nett road repair .... 20,000

(2) Election District No. 1.............. 200,000

(a) Sokehs Ridge Solar Lighting project 14,000

(b) Sokehs Ridge Cleaning 2022 ....... 25,000

(c) Daini Sidewalk ......................... 15,000

(d) Solar lights for Kolonia Secondary road 30,000

(e) Spanish Wall Electric installation/

Lighting ........................................ 15,000

(f) PUC water plant subsidy ........... 15,000

(g) Pohnrakied and Roie basketball

solar lights .................................. $ 20,000
(h) Kolonia Senior citizen subsidy . 10,000
(i) Nanmadap Bridge supplement ..... 15,000
(j) Outboard Motors (15 horse power) 21,000
(k) COM-FSM students’ outstanding debts 20,000

(3) Election District No. 2.................200,000
(a) UCCP summit implementation ..... 13,000
(b) Madolenimw election ............... 12,000
(c) Madolenimw liberation day ....... 5,000
(d) Upper PATS road improvement .... 25,000
(e) Medical referral ..................... 15,000
(f) Lewetik Civic Center ............... 10,000
(g) Meninkeder Lapapal office vehicle 20,000
(h) Road improvement ................... 50,000
(i) Pohnahlap road improvement ..... 50,000

(4) Election District No. 3..............200,000
(a) Liwi to Nanpil road repair/paving 100,000
(b) Nanu wharf rehabilitation 100,000"

Section 3. Section 6 of Public Law No. 22-37, as amended by Public Law No. 22-45, 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 section 3(1) of this act shall be the Governor of Kosrae State or his designee; the allottee of funds appropriated under section 3(2) of this act shall be the Mayor of Lelu Town Government or his designee the allottee of funds appropriated under subsection 4(1)(b) of this act shall be the Pohnpei Utility Corporation (PUC); the allottee of funds appropriated under subsection 4(1)(d) of this act shall be the Secretary of the Department of Education or his designee; the allottee of funds appropriated under subsection 4(1)(h) of this act shall be the Secretary of the Department of Justice or his designee; the allottee of funds appropriated under sections 4(1)(a), 4(1)(e), 4(1)(f), 4(1)(g), 4(1)(i) and 4(1)(j), 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(2)(k) of this act shall be the President of
COM-FSM or his designee; the allottee of funds
appropriated under subsections 4(3)(d), 4(3)(i) and
4(4)(a) of this act shall be the Pohnpei Transportation
Authority (PTA); the allottee of funds appropriated
under subsections and 4(1)(c) and 4(3)(e) of this act
shall be the Secretary of the Department of Health and
Social Affairs or her 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 appropriated under section 5(3) of this act shall
be the Mayor of Weno Municipality 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 3. This act shall become law upon approval by the
1 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its
2 becoming law without such approval.

September 28, 2023

Wesley W. Simina
President
Federated States of Micronesia