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A BILL FOR AN ACT

To established the Federated States of Micronesia Council on Insular Arts, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Establishment. There is hereby established the
2 Federated States of Micronesia Council on Insular Arts.

3 Section 2. Definitions. As used in this act, unless otherwise
4 indicated by the context:

5 (1) "The arts" includes, but is not limited to, music
6 (instrumental and vocal), dance, drama, folk art, creative writing,
7 architecture and allied fields, painting, sculpture, photography,
8 graphic and craft arts, carvings, weavings, industrial design,
9 costume and fashion design, motion pictures, television, radio, tape
10 and sound recording, and the arts related to the presentation,
11 performance, execution, and exhibition of such major art forms.

12 (2) "Group" includes any State or other public agency and
13 any nonprofit society, institution, organization, association,
14 museum, or establishment in the Federated States of Micronesia,
15 whether or not incorporated.

16 (3) "Humanities" includes, but is not limited to, the
17 study of the following:

- 18 (a) Languages;
- 19 (b) Linguistics;
- 20 (c) Literature;
- 21 (d) History;
- 22 (e) Jurisprudence;
- 23 (f) Philosophy;
- 24 (g) Archeology;
- 25 (h) The history, criticism, theory, and practice of

1 the arts; and

2 (i) Those aspects of the social sciences which
3 have humanistic content and employ humanistic methods.

4 (4) "Production" means plays (with or without music),
5 dance and choral performances, concerts, recitals, exhibitions,
6 readings, motion pictures, television, radio, tape and sound
7 recordings, and any other activities involving the execution or
8 rendition of the arts.

9 (5) "Project" means programs organized to carry out
10 the purposes of this act, including programs to foster artistic
11 creativity in the Federated States of Micronesia, to commission works
12 of art, to create opportunities for individuals to develop artistic
13 talents when carried on as part of a program otherwise included in
14 this definition, and to develop and enhance public knowledge and
15 understanding of the arts.

16 (6) "Workshop" means a production, the primary purpose of
17 which is, to encourage the artistic development of amateur, student,
18 or other nonprofessional participants.

19 Section 3. Purpose. The purpose of the Council shall be to
20 develop and promote a broadly conceived National policy of support
21 for the humanities and the arts in the Federated States of
22 Micronesia. The Council shall carry out or assist in the support,
23 organization, and coordination of the following:

24 (1) The identification and preservation of works of art
25 created by the peoples of Yap, Truk, Pohnpei, and Kosrae;

1 (2) The promotion of living artists residing in the
2 Federated States of Micronesia by arranging for exhibits of their
3 works;

4 (3) Productions, meeting professional standards or
5 standards of authenticity, which are of significant merit and which,
6 without such assistance, would otherwise be unavailable to the people
7 of the Federated States of Micronesia;

8 (4) The upgrading of standards of professional excellence
9 in the arts;

10 (5) Workshops that will encourage and develop the
11 appreciation and enjoyment of the arts by the people of the Federated
12 States of Micronesia;

13 (6) Other relevant projects, including surveys, research,
14 and planning in the arts; and

15 (7) The application to organizations or foundations for
16 grants-in-aid and other funding to support various projects and
17 programs in the humanities and the arts in the Federated States of
18 Micronesia.

19 Section 4. Composition of Council. The Federated States of
20 Micronesia Council on Insular Arts shall be composed of five members,
21 each of whom shall be familiar with the arts and culture of the
22 peoples of the Federated States of Micronesia. The President of the
23 Federated States of Micronesia shall appoint one member from each of
24 the States of the Federated States of Micronesia and one member who
25 shall represent the National Government of the Federated States of

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1 Micronesia. Each member of the Council shall serve a term of 3
2 years. A chairman shall be elected by a majority vote of the members.

3 Section 5. Council meetings. At least one meeting of the
4 Federated States of Micronesia Council on Insular Arts shall be held
5 during each calendar year. Other meetings may be held at the call of
6 the chairman, or upon the written request of no less than three
7 members. The site of meetings shall be rotated among the States of
8 the Federated States of Micronesia. An affirmative vote of a
9 majority of the members shall be necessary for the validity of any of
10 its acts.

11 Section 6. Reimbursement of expenses. The members of the
12 Federated States of Micronesia Council on Insular Arts shall not be
13 compensated for their attendance at meetings or the performance of
14 duties which may be assigned. The members shall be reimbursed for
15 reasonable and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of
16 their duties based on vouchers and receipts certified by the
17 chairman, but in no event shall such reimbursement exceed the
18 established per diem rates of the Federated States of Micronesia
19 National Government.

20 Section 7. This act shall become law upon approval by the
21 President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming
22 law without such approval.

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24 Date: 5/29/89

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