NINTH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

FOURTH REGULAR SESSION, 1996 CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO.9-258, C.D.1, C.D.2, C.D.3

PUBLIC LAW NO. 9-163

## AN ACT

To appropriate the sum of \$700,000 from the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, for the purpose of funding hospital and other health center needs of the States of Chuuk, Kosrae, Pohnpei and Yap.

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

Section 1. The sum of \$300,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, for the purpose of funding the hospital needs of the State of Chuuk. No funds appropriated under this section may be used for travel, the payment of past accounts or medical referral expenses, the purchase of gasoline, entertainment, communications, or for the acquisition of vehicles.

Section 2. The sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, for the purpose of funding the hospital needs of the State of Kosrae. The funds appropriated under this section shall be available only for the purchase of pharmaceuticals and to defray the off-island medical expenses of patients referred by the State's medical referral committee.

Section 3. The sum of \$200,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending

September 30, 1997, for the purpose of funding the hospital needs of the State of Pohnpei. The funds appropriated under this section may be used for the purchase of pharmaceuticals, and \$25,000 thereof shall be available for the Kolonia Town Dispensary. The funds appropriated under this section may be available for the payment of accounts and hiring of sergeants and other professional staff.

Section 4. The sum of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, for the purpose of funding outer island health care centers in the State of Yap, including construction costs and acquisition of land, and laboratory or other medical equipment, but not including travel. The funds appropriated under this section shall be apportioned equally between the Woleai and Ulithi centers.

Section 5. All funds appropriated by this act shall be allotted, managed, administered, and accounted for in accordance with applicable law, including, but not limited to, the Financial Management Act of 1979. The allottee of the funds appropriated under section 4 of this act shall be the Governor of the State of Yap, who shall not obligate any funds appropriated therein without first consulting with the Yap Delegation to the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia. The allottee of the funds

appropriated under section 1 of this act shall be the Director of Health Services, State of Chuuk who shall not obligate any funds appropriated therein without first consulting with the Chuuk Delegation to the Congress of the FSM. The allottee of all other funds appropriated by this act shall be the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or the President's designee. The allottees 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 authority of the allottees to obligate funds appropriated by this act shall lapse as of September 30, 1998.

Section 6. This act shall become law upon approval by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming law without such approval.

<u>May 1</u>, 1997

for <u>/s/ Jacob Nena</u>
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President
Federated States of Micronesia