A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend title 41 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia, by adding a new chapter 11 to establish an Amateur Sports Association, and for other purposes.

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

1 Section 1. Title 41 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia is hereby further amended by adding a new section 1101 of chapter 11 to read as follows:

"Section 1101. Title. This chapter is known and may be cited as the "Federated States of Micronesia Amateur Sports Association Act."

Section 2. Title 41 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia is hereby further amended by adding a new section 1102 of chapter 11 to read as follows:

"Section 1102. Purpose. The intent of this act is to establish a Federated States of Micronesia Amateur Sports Association for the purpose of promoting, regulating and coordinating sports activities, facilities, and events throughout the Federated States of Micronesia and abroad. This act will promote health, and unity among the citizens of the Federated States of Micronesia through sports activities, leagues, competitions, tournaments, training, clinics and other events."

Section 3. Title 41 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia is hereby further amended by adding a new section 1103 of chapter 11 to read as follows:

"Section 1103. Establishment of the Federated States of Micronesia Amateur Sports Association. These is hereby created in the Federated States of Micronesia a
Government authority to be known as the Federated States of Micronesia Amateur Sports Association, hereinafter call the "Association."

Section 4. Title 41 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia is hereby further amended by adding a new section 1104 of chapter 11 to read as follows:

"Section 1104. Powers and responsibilities of the Association. The Association has the following powers and responsibilities:

(1) to act as the sole official representative in and for the Federated States of Micronesia for the purposes of establishing affiliation with and representation in international and other amateur athletic bodies, associations, councils, federations and conferences, for participation in international athletic and sports events, including the Olympic Games, the Micronesian Games, the Mini-South Pacific Games, the South Pacific Games, the Federated States of Micronesia Games, and other related purposes;

(2) to, in conjunction with state sport councils, amateur sports clubs, and sports associations, assist in the acquisition, operation and maintenance of sports facilities and fields in the Federated States of Micronesia;

(3) to assist state sport councils, amateur sports
clubs and sports associations in affiliating with their respective international bodies and in conforming with the technical rules of these international federations;

(4) to support state sport councils, amateur sports and sports associations in the promotion and regulation of amateur sports competition in the Federated States of Micronesia, and to foster the interest and inter-relationships among the councils clubs and associations;

(5) to sanction the amateur status of Federated States of Micronesia athletes;

(6) to promote the construction and, where appropriate, the standardization of sports facilities in the Federated States of Micronesia by acquiring or leasing real property, equipment, or buildings;

(7) to maintain custody of records of the Federated States of Micronesia sports activities, competitions and tournaments;

(8) to seek funds from public and private sources for the performance of its duties, including the control and arrangement of financing of teams selected to compete in international competition or tournaments;

(9) to levy reasonable fees for usage of the athletic or sports facilities and for advertisement and promotion of its activities;
(10) to require the payment of reasonable fees by
state sport councils, amateur sports clubs, sports
association, and other organizations or persons who
desire to be members of the Association;
(11) to promulgate regulations, not inconsistent
with this chapter, necessary or appropriate for the
conduct of the affairs of the Association;
(12) to execute all instruments necessary or
appropriate in the exercise of its powers; and
(13) to take such other actions as may be necessary
and appropriate to carry out the powers herein or
hereafter specifically conferred upon it."

Section 5. Title 41 of the Code of the Federated States of
Micronesia is hereby further amended by adding a new section
1105 of chapter 11 to read as follows:
"Section 1105. **Board of Directors - Membership.** The
Association shall be managed and its powers exercised by
a Board of Directors, hereafter referred to as the
"Board", which shall consist of the following members:
(1) One person shall be appointed by the President
of the Federated States of Micronesia with the advice
and consent of Congress. This member shall be
designated as the representative of the National
Government and serve as the Board's first chairperson;
(2) Four persons shall be appointed by and serve at
the pleasure of the President of the Federated States of Micronesia; and

(3) One person from each State shall be appointed by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia in consultation with the Governor of the affected State.

Section 6. Title 41 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia is hereby further amended by adding a new section 1106 of chapter 11 to read as follows:

"Section 1106. Board of Directors - Terms of Office.
All appointments shall be for a term of two years. The term of each original member shall commence effective the date of the first meeting of the Board after the effective date of this act. The Board shall notify the President of the Federated States of Micronesia, in writing, of the upcoming expiration of the term of Board members 60 days before the actual expiration of the Board member's term. Vacancies occurring before the expiration of a member's term shall be filled in the same manner as the original appointment for the remainder of the term of office of the vacancy.

Section 7. Title 41 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia is hereby further amended by adding a new section 1107 of chapter 11 to read as follows:

"Section 1107. Board of Directors - Organizational
meeting. The Board shall hold its first meeting within forty-five days of the effective date of this act. The chairperson for the first two year term shall be the National Government representative. Subsequent chairpersons shall be elected by majority vote of the entire Board. A secretary and treasurer shall be elected from among the members of the Board. Officers may be removed at any time by majority vote of all members.

Section 8. Title 41 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia is hereby further amended by adding a new section 1108 of chapter 11 to read as follows:

"Section 1108. Board of Directors - Meetings; Quorum. The Board shall meet semiannually or more often at the call of the chairman. A quorum shall consist five members of the Board."

Section 9. Title 41 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia is hereby further amended by adding a new section 1109 of chapter 11 to read as follows:

"Section 1109. By-laws.

(1) The Board, by an affirmative vote of a majority of the whole Board shall adopt, and may amend, alter, or repeal such by-laws for the Association as are not inconsistent with this chapter. The by-laws of the Association shall:
(a) Provide for the management of the business of the Association; the regulation of its affairs, and the organization, conduct and meetings of the Board;

(b) Establish a membership policy that is designed to assure broad public participation with respect to its activities;

(c) Establish reporting procedures to inform their membership and the public of their activities;

(d) Establish procedures to assure public access to all information held by the Association; and

(e) Establish proper financial handling and accounting standards approved by the Director of Finance and Public Auditor.

(2) The members of the Association shall be the amateur sports clubs, association, unions and other sports groups and individuals interested in sports."

Section 10. Title 41 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia is hereby further amended by adding a new section 1110 of chapter 11 to read as follows:

"Section 1110. Annual Report. The Board, not later than 90 days after the close of each governmental fiscal year, shall submit to the President and Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, a report generally stating the activities of the Association and containing a profit-and-loss statement for the preceding fiscal
year and a statement of its assets and liabilities as of the close of the year."

Section 11. This act shall become law upon approval by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming law without such approval.

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