December 18\textsuperscript{th}, 2018

The Honorable Wesley W. Simina  
Speaker  
Twentieth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia  
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear Speaker Simina:

I am pleased to transmit the following Congressional Act, which I have signed into Public Law No. 20-152:

CONGRESSIONAL ACT NO. 20-144, ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 117 OF TITLE 52 CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA (ANNOTATED), AS AMENDED TO EXEMPT THE ASSISTANT CHIEF CLERK OF CONGRESS, THE CONGRESS PROTOCOL AND INFORMATION OFFICER, THE SECRETARY TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL, THE TECHNOLOGY ADMINISTRATOR AND THE SECRETARY TO THE FLOOR LEADER FROM THE PUBLIC SERVICE SYSTEM ACT, TO MAKE A TECHNICAL AMENDMENT TO THE TITLE OF THE POSITION OF THE CHIEF CLERK OF CONGRESS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

I thank Congress for the passage of this act.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Peter M. Christian

xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court
November 20, 2018

His Excellency Peter M. Christian  
President  
Federated States of Micronesia  
Palikir, Pohnpei FM 96941

Dear President Christian:

I have the honor to transmit herewith Congressional Act No. 20-144, "AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 117 OF TITLE 52 CODE OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA (ANNOTATED), AS AMENDED, TO EXEMPT THE ASSISTANT CHIEF CLERK OF CONGRESS, THE CONGRESS PROTOCOL AND INFORMATION OFFICER, THE SECRETARY TO THE LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL, THE TECHNOLOGY ADMINISTRATOR AND THE SECRETARY TO THE FLOOR LEADER FROM THE PUBLIC SERVICE SYSTEM ACT, TO MAKE A TECHNICAL AMENDMENT TO THE TITLE OF THE POSITION OF THE CHIEF CLERK OF CONGRESS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was passed by the Twentieth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Sixth Special Session, 2018, by a two-thirds vote of all the State delegations as required and as duly certified.

Sincerely yours,

[Signature]

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis  
Chief Clerk, Congress of the  
Federated States of Micronesia

Enclosures
An Act


INTRODUCED BY SENATOR: WESLEY W. SIMINA

DATE: NOVEMBER 12, 2018

REFERRED TO: COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
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Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk, FSM Congress
ACT NO. 20-144

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 20-257, C.D.1, C.D.2)

We hereby certify that on November 16 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Twentieth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Sixth Special Session, 2018, 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.

Wesley W. Simina
Speaker
Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia

Liwiana Ramon Ioanis
Chief Clerk
Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia
TWENTIETH CONGRESS OF THE FEDERATED STATES OF MICRONESIA

SIXTH SPECIAL SESSION, 2018 CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 20-257, C.D.1, C.D.2

AN ACT

To amend section 117 of title 52 Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, to exempt the Assistant Chief Clerk of Congress, the Congress Protocol and Information Officer, the Secretary to the Legislative Counsel, the Technology Administrator and the Secretary to the Floor Leader from the Public Service System Act, to make a technical amendment to the title of the position of the Chief Clerk of Congress, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 117 of title 52 of the Code of the Federated States of Micronesia (Annotated), as amended, is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 117. Application of chapter: Exemptions.
The National Public Service System shall apply to all employees of and positions in the Government of the Federated States of Micronesia now existing or hereafter established and to all personnel services performed for that Government except the following, unless this chapter or provisions thereof are specifically made applicable to them:

(1) Members of the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia;

(2) the President and Vice President of the Federated States of Micronesia;

(3) Justices and other Judges of the National Courts;

(4) the legislative counsel, deputy legislative

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counsel, director of administration and budget, budget
officer, administrator, the clerk and assistant chief
clerk, the Congress Protocol and Information Officer,
the Secretary to the Legislative Counsel, the Technology
Administrator of the Congress, and the Secretary to the
Floor Leader;

(5) the Public Auditor;

(6) the administrative officer of the National
Courts;

(7) the special assistants and secretaries to the
President and Vice President and the secretaries to the
Speaker and Vice-Speaker of the Congress of the
Federated States of Micronesia;

(8) persons appointed by the President to fill the
following positions: Secretary of the Department of
Foreign Affairs, Secretary of the Department of Finance
and Administration, Secretary of the Department of
Economic Affairs, Secretary of the Department of
Transportation, Communication and Infrastructure,
Secretary of the Department of Health, Education and
Social Affairs, Secretary of the Department of Justice,
and the Chief Public Defender, and their deputies, if
any;

(9) persons appointed to any other positions by the
President with the advice and consent of the Congress;
(10) the Representative in Washington and all ambassadors;

(11) persons or organizations retained by contract when the Personnel Officer has certified that the service to be performed is special or unique and nonpermanent and is essential to the public interest, and that, because of the degree of expertise or special knowledge required and of the nature of the services to be performed, it would not be practical to obtain personnel to perform such services through normal public service recruitment procedures;

(12) persons presently under contract of employment not included in subsection (11) of this section, during the life of such contract. No contract of employment shall be entered into, renewed, or amended after the effective date of this chapter, except in accordance with the provisions of this chapter;

(13) temporary positions, required in the public interest, for which the need does not exceed six months;

(14) positions requiring part-time or intermittent work which does not exceed sixty hours in any calendar month;

(15) positions filled by inmates, patients, and students of institutions of the Federated States of Micronesia;
(16) members of any board, public corporation, commission, or similar body, in their capacity as such;
(17) officers, faculty, and employees of the Board of Regents and the College of Micronesia;
(18) positions specifically exempted by any other law of the Federated States of Micronesia;
(19) all personnel of the National Weather Service, provided that the National Weather Service shall be administered by the Office of the President."

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.

Dec 18, 2018

Peter M. Christian
President
Federated States of Micronesia

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