June 20, 2018

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

Dear Speaker Simina:

I am transmitting the following Congressional Act, which I have signed into Public Law No. 20-89:

Congressional Act No. 20-84, entitled: "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 20-68, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 20-78, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3 AND 5 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATES OF Pohnpei and Chuuk, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES."

I wish to note that while I have signed this act into law, I do not agree with giving funding to various "travel needs" that are not specified anywhere in this congressional act. Unspecified travel needs are vague line items since they do not indicate the intended travel destination or the purpose of travel, and there is no information whatsoever on the users of these funding. As such, the aforesaid line items are questionable as they do not provide appropriate guidance on how they should be implemented. It is so unfortunate that these line items are already in the law, hence, I could not item veto them.

Based on the above consideration, from now on, I will not approve any line items that provide funding for unspecified travel needs. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Peter M. Christian

Enclosure:

xc: Chief Justice, FSM Supreme Court
May 22, 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. 20-84, "AN ACT TO FURTHER AMEND PUBLIC LAW NO. 20-68, AS AMENDED BY PUBLIC LAW NO. 20-78, BY AMENDING SECTIONS 3 AND 5 THEREOF, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHANGING THE USE AND ALLOTTEE OF FUNDS PREVIOUSLY APPROPRIATED THEREIN, TO FUND PUBLIC PROJECTS AND SOCIAL PROGRAMS IN THE STATES OF Pohnpei AND Chuuk, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.", which was passed by the Twentieth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular 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
ACT NO. 20-84

(CONGRESSIONAL BILL NO. 20-185)

We hereby certify that on May 16 the foregoing act passed Second and Final Reading of the Twentieth Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia, Fourth Regular 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
A BILL FOR AN ACT

To further amend Public Law No. 20-68, as amended by Public Law No. 20-78, by amending sections 3 and 5 thereof, for the purpose of changing the use and allottee of funds previously appropriated therein, to fund public projects and social programs in the states of Pohnpei and Chuuk, and for other purposes.

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

Section 1. Section 4 of Public Law No. 20-68 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section 4. Of the sum of $1,440,000 appropriated by this act, $720,000 is apportioned for public projects and social programs in the state of Chuuk.

state of Chuuk ......................... $ 720,000

(1) At-Large ......................... 120,000

(a) Sport events in Weno ............ 10,000

(b) Contributions to State, Municipal and Community events, programs and activities 30,000

(c) Housing renovation and improvement 40,000

(d) Travel needs .................... 20,000

(e) Fishing projects ............... 20,000

(2) Election District No. 1 .......... 120,000

(a) Mortlocks Congressional delegation constituents outreach ............... 13,000

(b) Mortlocks Congressional delegation transportation needs ........... 7,000"
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(d) Fishing project .................. $ 30,000
(e) Travel needs ..................... 20,000
(f) Youth programs and activities .... 20,000
(g) Administrative cost for FDA .... 15,000
(6) Election District No. 5 ............. 120,000
   (a) Solar Freezers .................. 40,000
   (b) Low-income housing renovation .. 20,000
   (c) Food relief program ............. 15,000
   (d) POL/Charter/Freight ............. 25,000
   (e) Dispensary boat/motor .......... 20,000"

Section 2. Section 5 of Public Law No. 20-68 is hereby
amended to read as follows:

"Section 5. 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 sections 2 and 3 of this
act shall be the President of the Federated States of Micronesia
or his designee; PROVIDED THAT the allottee of funds appropriated
under subsections 2(a) and 2(b) of this act shall be the Mayor of
Lelu Town Government or his designee; the allottee of funds
appropriated under subsections 2(c) to 2(g) of this act shall be
the Mayor of Tafunsak Municipal Government or his designee; the
allottee of funds appropriation under subsection 3(1)(i) of this
act shall be the Chief Magistrate of Sokehs Municipal Government
or his designee; the allottee of funds appropriated under
subsection 3(2)(a) of this act shall be the President of the COM-
FSM Institute or his designee; the allottee of funds appropriated
under subsection 3(2)(b) of this act shall be the Pohnpei
Transportation Authority; the allottee of funds appropriated under
subsections 3(2)(c) to 3(2)(g) of this act shall be the Secretary
of the Department of Transportation, Communications and
Infrastructure or his designee; the allottee of funds appropriated
under subsections 3(4)(a) shall be the President of the COM-FSM
Institute or his designee; the allottee of funds appropriated
under subsection 3(4)(b) of this act shall be the Mayor of
Pingelap Municipal Government or his designee; the allottee of
funds appropriated under subsection 3(4)(c) of this act shall be
the Mayor of Mwokilloa Municipal Government or his designee. The
allottee of funds appropriated under subsections 4(1), 4(3) and
4(6) of this act shall be the Governor of Chuuk State or his
designee. The allottee of funds appropriated under subsection
4(2) of this act shall be the Mortlock Islands Development
Authority. The allottee of funds appropriated under subsection
4(4) of this act shall be the Southern Namoneas Development
Authority. The allottee of funds appropriated under subsection
4(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, 2020."

Section 3. This act shall become law upon approval by the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon its becoming law without such approval.

6/21, 2018

Peter M. Christian
President
Federated States of Micronesia