

AN ACT

To appropriate \$56,669,874 from the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, to provide funding for the operations of all branches of the National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia, its agencies, various programs, grants, subsidies and contributions and capital and human resources development, and for other purposes.

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

1           Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of this act is as  
2 follows: To appropriate the sum of \$56,669,874 from the General  
3 Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year  
4 ending September 30, 2024, for the purpose of funding the  
5 operations of all branches of the National Government of the  
6 Federated States of Micronesia, its agencies, various programs,  
7 grants, subsidies and contributions, and Capital and Human  
8 Resources Development. The sum appropriated herein shall be  
9 apportioned as follows:

10           Section 2. Operating expenses of the Executive Branch.  
11 The sum of \$33,400,114 or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
12 is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the Federated  
13 States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30,  
14 2024, for the purpose of funding the operations of the  
15 Executive Branch of the National Government during the fiscal  
16 year 2024. Of the total amount of funds appropriated herein,  
17 \$366,570 shall be deemed to come from funds available under

1 Supplemental Education Grant or successor program. The sum  
2 appropriated by this section shall be apportioned as follows:

3 (1) Office of the President.

4 The sum of \$2,599,417, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
5 for the operations of the Office of the President during the  
6 fiscal year 2024. The sum appropriated herein shall be  
7 apportioned as follows:

8	Personnel .....	\$ 1,048,364
9	Travel .....	483,753
10	Contractual Services.....	859,000
11	OCE .....	118,300
12	Fixed Assets .....	90,000

13 (2) Department of Foreign Affairs.

14 The sum of \$7,225,517, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
15 for the operations of the Department of Foreign Affairs during  
16 the fiscal year 2024. The sum appropriated herein shall be  
17 apportioned as follows:

18	Personnel .....	\$ 2,911,725
19	Travel .....	299,823
20	Contractual Services.....	3,466,955
21	OCE .....	547,014
22	Fixed Assets .....	-0-

23 (3) Department of Finance and Administration.

24 The sum of \$3,944,458, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
25 for the operations of the Department of Finance and

1 Administration during the fiscal year 2024. The sum  
2 appropriated herein shall be apportioned as follows:

3	Personnel .....	\$ 3,400,072
4	Travel .....	196,501
5	Contractual Services.....	182,400
6	OCE .....	165,485
7	Fixed Assets .....	-0-

8 (4) Department of Resources and Development.

9 The sum of \$1,824,597, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
10 for the operations of the Department of Resources and  
11 Development during the fiscal year 2024. The sum appropriated  
12 herein shall be apportioned as follows:

13	Personnel .....	\$ 1,436,311
14	Travel .....	114,716
15	Contractual Services.....	163,570
16	OCE .....	110,000
17	Fixed Assets .....	-0-

18 (5) Department of Transportation, Communications and  
19 Infrastructure.

20 The sum of \$3,828,121, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
21 for the operations of the Department of Transportation,  
22 Communications & Infrastructure during the fiscal year 2024.  
23 The sum appropriated herein shall be apportioned as follows:

24	Personnel .....	\$ 992,232
25	Travel .....	171,449

1 Contractual Services ..... \$ 2,610,340  
2 OCE ..... 54,100  
3 Fixed Assets ..... .. -0-

4 (6) Department of Health and Social Affairs.

5 The sum of \$1,357,743, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
6 for the operations of the Department of Health and Social  
7 Affairs during the fiscal year 2024. The sum appropriated  
8 herein shall be apportioned as follows:

9 Personnel ..... \$ 1,070,897  
10 Travel ..... 66,676  
11 Contractual Services..... 119,942  
12 OCE ..... 100,228  
13 Fixed Assets ..... .. -0-

14 (7) Department of Education.

15 The sum of \$1,097,249 or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
16 for the operations of the Department of Education during the  
17 fiscal year 2024. Of the total amount of funds appropriated  
18 herein, \$366,570 shall be deemed to come from funds available  
19 under the Supplemental Education Grant or successor program.  
20 The sum appropriated herein shall be apportioned as follows:

21 Personnel ..... \$ 662,421  
22 Travel ..... 130,973  
23 Contractual Services..... 231,226  
24 OCE ..... 72,629  
25 Fixed Assets ..... .. -0-

1           (8) Department of Justice.

2 The sum of \$8,537,814, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
3 for the operations of the Department of Justice during the  
4 fiscal year 2024. The sum appropriated herein shall be  
5 apportioned as follows:

6	Personnel .....	\$ 6,150,219
7	Travel .....	296,854
8	Contractual Services.....	889,875
9	OCE .....	1,200,866
10	Fixed Assets .....	-0-

11           (9) Office of the Public Defender.

12 The sum of \$1,371,862, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
13 for the operations of the Office of the Public Defender during  
14 the fiscal year 2024. The sum appropriated herein shall be  
15 apportioned as follows:

16	Personnel .....	\$ 1,118,025
17	Travel .....	56,048
18	Contractual Services.....	149,994
19	OCE .....	47,795
20	Fixed Assets .....	-0-

21           (10) Department of Environment, Climate Change and  
22 Emergency Management.

23 The sum of \$973,096, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
24 for the operations of the Department of Climate Change,  
25 Environment and Emergency Management during the fiscal year

1 2024. The sum appropriated herein shall be apportioned as  
2 follows:

3	Personnel .....	\$ 767,130
4	Travel .....	73,352
5	Contractual Services.....	106,500
6	OCE .....	26,114
7	Fixed Assets .....	-0-

8 (11) Office of National Archives, Culture and Historic  
9 Preservation.

10 The sum of \$275,266, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
11 for the operations of the Office of National Archives, Culture  
12 and Historic Preservation during the fiscal year 2024. The sum  
13 appropriated herein shall be apportioned as follows:

14	Personnel .....	\$ 235,466
15	Travel .....	14,230
16	Contractual Services.....	15,425
17	OCE .....	10,145
18	Fixed Assets.....	-0-

19 (12) Office of the Veterans Affairs.

20 The sum of \$107,021, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
21 for the operations of Office of the Veterans Affairs during the  
22 fiscal year 2024. The sum appropriated herein shall be  
23 apportioned as follows:

24	Personnel .....	\$ 81,320
25	Travel .....	5,701

1	Contractual Services.....	\$	15,000
2	OCE .....	..	5,000
3	Fixed Assets.....	...	-0-

4 (13) Office of Personnel.

5 The sum of \$257,953, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
6 for the operations of Office of Personnel during the fiscal  
7 year 2024. The sum appropriated herein shall be apportioned as  
8 follows:

9	Personnel .....	\$	243,303
10	Travel .....	..	7,200
11	Contractual Services.....	..	1,700
12	OCE .....	..	5,750
13	Fixed Assets.....	...	-0-

14 Section 3. Operating Expenses of the Legislative

15 Branch. The sum of \$7,312,294, or so much thereof as may be  
16 necessary, is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the  
17 Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending  
18 September 30, 2024, for the operations of the Legislative  
19 Branch of the National Government during fiscal year 2024. The  
20 sum appropriated by this section shall be apportioned as  
21 follows:

22 (1) Speaker and Members.

23 The sum of \$3,665,462, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
24 for the operations of the Office of the Speaker and Members of  
25 the Congress of the Federated States of Micronesia during

1 fiscal year 2024. The sum appropriated herein shall be  
2 apportioned as follows:

3	Personnel .....	\$ 1,001,650
4	Travel .....	664,212
5	Contractual Services, of which up to \$ .....	150,000
6	may be used to assist Members and staff	
7	with current and prior year medical costs,	
8	and up to \$20,000 may be used to pay for	
9	outstanding prior year obligations... ..	1,999,600
10	OCE .....	-0-
11	Fixed Assets .....	-0-

12 (2) Staff Office.

13 The sum of \$3,146,832, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
14 for the operations of the Congress staff offices during fiscal  
15 year 2024. The sum appropriated herein shall be apportioned as  
16 follows:

17	Personnel .....	\$1,987,832
18	Travel .....	200,000
19	Contractual Services .....	530,000
20	OCE.....	289,000
21	Fixed Assets.....	140,000

22 (3) Congress Delegation Offices.

23 The sum of \$500,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
24 for the operations of the Congress delegation offices during  
25 the fiscal year 2024. Of the amounts appropriated for



1 contractual services within each Delegation Office, up to a  
2 maximum of \$25,000 per Member, at the Delegation Offices'  
3 discretion, may be used for Representation including prior  
4 years reimbursable expenses and other obligations. Any  
5 unexpended Representation funds shall lapse into the FSM Trust  
6 Fund state sub-account of the respective state or states, which  
7 had remaining unexpended Representation funds. The sum  
8 appropriated is apportioned as follows:

9 (a) Kosrae Delegation Office

10	Travel .....	\$	-0-
11	Contractual Services .....		50,000
12	OCE .....		20,000
13	Fixed Assets .....		-0-
14	TOTAL .....		70,000

15 (b) Pohnpei Delegation Office

16	Travel .....		3,000
17	Contractual Services .....		100,000
18	OCE .....		37,000
19	Fixed Assets .....		-0-
20	TOTAL .....		140,000

21 (c) Chuuk Delegation Office

22	Travel .....		-0-
23	Contractual Services .....		160,000
24	OCE .....		40,000
25	Fixed Assets .....		10,000

1	TOTAL.....	\$ 210,000
2	(d) Yap Delegation Office	
3	Travel .....	13,000
4	Contractual Services .....	45,000
5	OCE .....	17,000
6	Fixed Assets .....	5,000
7	TOTAL .....	80,000

8 Section 4. Operating Expenses of the National Judicial  
9 Branch. The sum of \$2,343,712, or so much thereof as may be  
10 necessary, is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the  
11 Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending  
12 September 30, 2024, for the operations of the Judicial Branch  
13 of the National Government during the fiscal year 2024. The  
14 sum appropriated by this section shall be apportioned as  
15 follows:

16	Personnel .....	\$ 1,520,185
17	Travel.....	64,277
18	Contractual Services .....	511,200
19	OCE.....	248,050
20	Fixed Assets.....	-0-

21 Section 5. Operating Expenses of the National Public  
22 Auditor. The sum of \$1,309,577, or so much thereof as may be  
23 necessary, is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the  
24 Federated States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending  
25 September 30, 2024, for the operations of the Office of the

1 National Public Auditor during the fiscal year 2024. The sum  
2 appropriated by this section shall be apportioned as follows:

3	Personnel .....	\$ 1,060,577
4	Travel .....	55,600
5	Contractual Services .....	126,000
6	OCE.....	67,400
7	Fixed Assets.....	-0-

8 Section 6. Operating Expenses of Agencies, Boards,  
9 Authorities, and Commissions of the National Government.

10 The sum of \$3,433,359, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
11 is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the Federated  
12 States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30,  
13 2024, for the operations of the following boards, commissions,  
14 authorities and agencies during the fiscal year 2024. The sum  
15 appropriated by this section shall be apportioned as follows:

16 (1) National Oceanic Resource Management Authority (NORMA).

17 The sum of \$1,306,268, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
18 for the operations of NORMA for the fiscal year 2024. The sum  
19 appropriated herein shall be apportioned as follows:

20	Personnel .....	\$ 984,063
21	Travel.....	78,279
22	Contractual Services.....	200,741
23	OCE.....	43,185
24	Fixed Assets.....	-0-

25 (2) Board of Regents (COM-FSM).

1 The sum of \$60,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary, for  
2 the operations of the Board of Regents, COM-FSM during the  
3 fiscal year 2024. The sum appropriated herein shall be  
4 apportioned as follows:

5	Personnel.....	\$	-0-
6	Travel.....		-0-
7	Contractual Services.....		-0-
8	OCE.....		60,000
9	Fixed Assets.....		-0-

10 (3) FSM Banking Board.

11 The sum of \$247,864, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
12 for the operations of FSM Banking Board during the fiscal year  
13 2024. The sum appropriated herein shall be apportioned as  
14 follows:

15	Personnel .....	\$	149,461
16	Travel.....		33,891
17	Contractual Services.....		39,402
18	OCE.....		25,110
19	Fixed Assets.....		-0-

20 (4) FSM Insurance Board.

21 The sum of \$621,544, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
22 for the operations of FSM Insurance Board during the fiscal  
23 year 2024. The sum appropriated herein shall be apportioned as  
24 follows:

25	Personnel .....	\$	211,797
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1	Travel.....	\$	30,568
2	Contractual Services.....		347,175
3	OCE.....		32,004
4	Fixed Assets.....		-0-

5 (5) FSM Postal Services.

6 The sum of \$1,197,683, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
7 for the operations of the National Postal Services during the  
8 fiscal year 2024. The sum appropriated herein shall be  
9 apportioned as follows:

10	Personnel.....	\$	809,578
11	Travel.....		26,084
12	Contractual Services.....	1	83,636
13	OCE.....		178,385
14	Fixed Assets.....		-0-

15 Section 7. Special Programs. The sum of \$658,592, or so  
16 much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated from  
17 the General Fund of the Federated States of Micronesia for the  
18 fiscal year ending September 30, 2024, for the following  
19 special programs during fiscal year 2024. The sum appropriated  
20 by this section shall be apportioned as follows:

21 (1) National Election Office.

22 The sum of \$658,592, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
23 for the operations of National Election Office during the  
24 fiscal year 2024. The sum appropriated herein shall be  
25 apportioned as follows:

1	Personnel.....	\$	435,010
2	Travel.....		57,133
3	Contractual Services.....		69,486
4	OCE.....		96,963
5	Fixed Assets.....		-0-

6 Section 8. Grants, Subsidies and Contributions. The sum  
7 of \$4,127,132, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is  
8 hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the Federated  
9 States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30,  
10 2024, for the following grants, subsidies and contributions  
11 during fiscal year 2024. The sum appropriated by this section  
12 shall be apportioned as follows:

13 (1) Office of the President.

14	(a) Former Presidents' Allowance .....	\$	50,000
15	(b) Joint Committee on Compact Review		
16	and Planning (JCRP) .....		335,991

17 (2) Department of Health and Social Affairs.

18	(a) FSM Red Cross .....		35,000
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19 (3) Department of Education.

20	(a) Aid for Non-Public School. ....		250,000
21	(b) National Scholarship Fund .....		500,000
22	(c) National Close-Up Local Program .....		37,500
23	(d) National Merit Scholarship .....		137,500

24 (4) Department of Transportation, Communication  
25 & Infrastructure.

1	(a) FSM Capital Energy (Utilities) .....	\$ 150,000
2	(b) Fueling & Provisions of Caroline	
3	Voyager and Navigator and Nat'l vessels .....	672,915
4	(5) <u>Department of Justice.</u>	
5	(a) DOJ Fuel Subsidy .....	275,000
6	(6) <u>Other Grants, Subsidies &amp; Contributions</u>	
7	(a) FSM Social Security .....	500,000
8	(b) Micronesian Legal Services Corporation	50,000
9	(c) NORMA-WCPFC Membership fee .....	100,000
10	(d) MLFC Loan Payment .....	130,000
11	(e) Single Audit fees and cost .....	100,000
12	(f) Staff housing .....	750,000
13	(g) Recruitment & Repatriation .....	53,226

14 Section 9. Capital and Human Resources Development.

15 The sum of \$4,085,094, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
16 is hereby appropriated from the General Fund of the Federated  
17 States of Micronesia for the fiscal year ending September 30,  
18 2024, for the following capital improvements, development  
19 programs, and projects and human resources development. Of the  
20 total amount of funds appropriated herein, \$1,000,000 shall be  
21 deemed to come from funds available under the Compact Education  
22 Sector Grant and \$1,246,022 shall be deemed to come from funds  
23 available under Supplemental Education Grant or successor  
24 program. The sum appropriated by this section shall be  
25 apportioned as follows:

1	(1) <u>College of Micronesia – FSM.</u>	
2	(a) COM-FSM – operation .....	\$ 2,000,000
3	(b) Fisheries Maritime Institute .....	471,572
4	(c) Supplemental Education Grant or	
5	Successor Program .....	689,948
6	(2) <u>Department of Resources &amp; Development.</u>	
7	(a) R&D State and National leadership	
8	conference (SNLC) .....	37,500
9	(b) R&D Conference .....	25,000
10	(3) <u>Department of Transportation,</u>	
11	<u>Communication and Infrastructure.</u>	
12	(a) FSM national government computer	
13	network .....	25,000
14	(4) <u>Department of Justice.</u>	
15	(a) Anti-human trafficking enforcement,	
16	campaign and investigation .....	25,000
17	(b) Victims Shelter & Services .....	25,000
18	(c) Patrol Boat maintenance .....	200,000
19	(d) Satellite phone & billing .....	5,000
20	(5) <u>Department of Health and Social Affairs.</u>	
21	(a) Medical Specialist Team .....	25,000
22	(6) <u>Department of Education.</u>	
23	(a) NDOE Year 3 Project (SEG or successor	
24	Program) .....	556,074
25	Section 10. <u>Employment Ceilings.</u> The maximum number of	



1 positions for each branch and agency of the National  
2 Government of the Federated States of Micronesia for fiscal  
3 year 2024 shall be as follows:

4	(1) Executive Branch .....	732
5	(2) Legislative Branch .....	70
6	(3) Judiciary Branch .....	46
7	(4) Public Auditor .....	24
8	(5) Agencies	
9	(a) National Oceanic Resource	
10	Management Authority .....	30
11	(b) FSM Banking Board .....	4
12	(c) FSM Insurance Board .....	6
13	(d) National Postal Services .....	41
14	(6) Special Programs	
15	(a) National Election Office .....	14

16 Section 11. Reprogramming. Reprogramming of funds into  
17 or from the personnel budget line item shall not be permitted.  
18 The President, Speaker, Chief Justice and Public Auditor may  
19 reprogram up to 10 percent to or from the funds appropriated  
20 in sections 2 (Operating expenses of the Executive Branch), 3  
21 (Operating expenses of the Legislative Branch), 4 (Operating  
22 expenses of the National Judicial Branch), and 5 (operating  
23 expenses of the National Public Auditor). Reprogramming of  
24 funds within a department, office or agency shall be effected  
25 by the head of such department, office or agency by specifying

1 in writing to the Secretary of the Department of Finance and  
2 Administration of the FSM National Government, the accounts  
3 for which funding is either increased or decreased.  
4 Reprogramming other than as specified herein is not permitted,  
5 and more specifically, reprogramming into or out of any line  
6 item contained in section 8 (Grants, Subsidies and  
7 Contributions) or section 9 (Capital and Human Resources) is  
8 not permitted. The President shall report to Congress within  
9 one month of the last day of each financial quarter all  
10 amounts reprogrammed inter or intra a department, office or  
11 agency.

12 Section 12. Allotment and management of funds and lapse  
13 dates.

14 (1) General provisions.

15 (a) All funds appropriated by this act shall be  
16 allotted, managed, administered and accounted for in  
17 accordance with applicable law, including, but not  
18 limited to, the Financial Management Act of 1979.

19 (b) The allottees shall be responsible for ensuring  
20 that these funds, or so much thereof as may be necessary,  
21 are used solely for the purposes specified in this act,  
22 and that no obligations are incurred in excess of the  
23 sums appropriated.

24 (2) Allottees. The allottees of the funds appropriated by  
25 this act are as follows:

1           (a) Section 2 - the allottee of these funds shall be  
2 the President of the Federated States of Micronesia;

3           (b) Section 3 - the allottee of these funds shall be  
4 the Speaker of the Congress of the Federated States of  
5 Micronesia;

6           (c) Section 4 - the allottee of these funds shall be  
7 the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Federated  
8 States of Micronesia;

9           (d) Section 5 - the allottee of these funds shall be  
10 the Public Auditor of the Federated States of Micronesia;

11           (e) Sections 6 through 9 - the allottee of these  
12 funds shall be the President of the Federated States of  
13 Micronesia; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that for the following  
14 subsections of sections 8 through 9 of this act:

15                   (i) Section 9 (1)(a) through (c) - the allottee  
16 of these funds shall be the President of the College  
17 of Micronesia-FSM.

18           (3) Lapse date. The authority of the allottees to  
19 obligate funds appropriated by this act shall lapse as of  
20 September 30, 2024; PROVIDED, HOWEVER, that the funds  
21 appropriated under section 9 of this act shall not lapse.

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1           Section 13. This act shall become law upon approval by  
2 the President of the Federated States of Micronesia or upon  
3 its becoming law without such approval.

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September 28, 2023

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/s/ Wesley W. Simina

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