COMMITTEE

ON GOVERNMENTAL STRUCTURES AND FUNCTIONS THIRD CHUUK STATE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION

SCR NO : 3-10 COMMITTEE : GS & F DATE : 7/7/04 REF. DP.NO. 3-19

The Honorable Camillo Noket
President
Third Constitutional Convention
Chuuk State Government
Weno, Chuuk State, FM 96942

Dear President Noket:

Your Committee on Governmental Structures and Functions to which was assigned Delegate Proposal No. 3-19 relating to amendment to section 2 of Article VIII of the Chuuk State Constitution, entitled:

"Section 2, The following are the municipalities in the State of Chuuk: Weno, Fono, Piis-Panewu, Tonoas, Fefen, Parem, Siis, Uman, Udot, Eot, Ramanum, Fanapanges, Polle, Paata, Wonei, Tol, Nema, Losap, Piis-Emwar, Namoluk, Ettal, Moch, Kuttu, Ta, Satowan, Lukunoch, Oneop, Houk, Polowat, Tamatam, Pollap, Onoun, Makur, Onou, Unanu, Piherarh, Nomwin, Fananu, Ruo, and Murilo."

Begs leave to report as follows:

I. RECOMMENDATIONS.

Your Committee wishes to recommend adoption of the report and the committee proposal.

II. Analysis.

A. Purpose.

The purpose of the proposal is to include Piis-Panewu among the municipalities in the State of Chuuk.

B. <u>History</u>.

Delegate Proposal No. 3-19 was introduced in plenary session of the Third Chuuk Constitutional Convention by Delegates Freddie Nifon, Willy Williander, and Mino Mori. In the afternoon of June 30, 2004, inside the Convention Chamber, your Committee had a deliberation on the delegate proposal.

C. Findings.

Your Committee, Mr. President, is very happy to note that Piis-Panewu has been, prior to this amendment, exercising its duties and responsibilities as a government entity in the State of Chuuk, and being such, has conducted previous general elections for officers of its government. It is therefore obligated upon this Committee, in full recognition of the residents of Piis-Panewu, to take this step in furtherance of that inspiration.

It is common knowledge of the people of Chuuk State and your Committee as well that Piis-Panewu has already gained its name as one of the existing municipalities given the fact that in previous State Leadership Conference, Piis-Panewu did send its representatives which usually included their major, chairman of their legislative branch, a municipal judge, and traditional leaders. In addition, Mr. President, Piis-Panewu ahs been, for many years, treated by the State of Chuuk as one polling place where election of state officials take place. Not only for Chuuk State elected officials but also for the FSM National Government as well. To give the people of Piis-Panewu their well deserved place in this Chuuk State Constitution is not simply an act of recognizing them as a people with a stronger inspiration but also an act of preaching the very basis of our State Government which we, as delegates, recognize as one for the people.

III. Conclusion.

Your Committee recommends adoption of this report and the committee report as well.

Respectfully submitted:

COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENTAL STRUCTURES AND FUNCTIONS

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