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August 4, 2026

Standing Comm. Report No. 11-229
Re: Resolution No. 11-161

adopted 8/5/26

The Honorable Nicholas Figirlaarwon
Speaker
Eleventh Legislature of the State of Yap
Fourth Regular Session, 2026

Dear Mr. Speaker:

Your Committee on Resources, Education and Development, to which was referred Resolution No. 11-161 entitled:

> "A RESOLUTION CONFIRMING AILEEN TAREG TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE YAP STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION.",

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of the resolution is expressed in its title.

On June 11, 2026, Governor Francis Itimai transmitted his appointments for the Yap State Board of Education. The three nominations were Ms. Lourdes F. Roboman, Ms. Aileen Tareg and Mr. Jeffrey Filenguy. The transmittal was designated as Governor's Communication No. 11-576 and assigned to your Committee. On June 19, 2026, Acting Floor Leader Ted Rutun introduced, by request, Resolutions Nos. 11-160, 11-161 and 11-162, respectively, and they were also assigned to your Committee on Resources, Education and Development. In his letter, Governor Itimai explained that the appointments were previous members of the Board of Education, and their terms have already expired. No attachments were included with the transmittal as these are re-nominations and the appointees are already reviewed by and known to this Legislature.

Your Committee held a public hearing for the nominee (Resolution No. 11-161) on August 4, 2026. The nominee and Governor Itimai were present for the hearing, along with the Director of the Department of Education. Ms. Tareg had previously served on the Board, and she was previously appointed to provide perspective from the health sector in the State as she not only had served in various capacities at the Department of Health Services, including serving as Director of the department. She has a doctorate in Public Health Administration, and thus fitting to serve on the Board of Education, developing policies for the State's educational system.

Your Committee brought up various issues in education for discussion with the witness, including her views on school consolidation, health policies for students, including nutrition and fitness, the special education program, head start program parental involvement, infrastructure improvements to the school to improve environment for student learning, and briefly on vocational programs.

Your Committee deliberated on the qualifications of this nominee, the discussion during the public hearing, and the advantages of recommending her for approval as she provides continuity and perspective. Therefore, your Committee, after reviewing the nomination, is in accord with the purpose and intent of Resolution No. 11-161 and recommends its adoption in its original form.

Respectfully submitted,

John Mafel - Chairman — 8/5/26 Date

Liyon Sulog - Vice Chairman — 8/5/26 Date

John Taweryan - Member — 8-05-26 Date