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Presidential Directive No. 18-32

To establish an Independence Day Committee for the Republic of Palau's 24th Independence Day Celebration on October 1, 2018 and the 25th Independence Day Celebration on October 1, 2019

WHEREAS, on September 23, 1994, President Kuniwo Nakamura executed Presidential Proclamation No. 01-94 establishing October 1 as an annual national holiday to recognize and observe a historic moment in the Republic of Palau that signifies the importance of regaining sovereignty and independence; and

WHEREAS, on October 1, 1994, President Kuniwo Nakamura executed Presidential Proclamation No. 09-94 formally proclaiming the Republic of Palau's independence from the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, this year's Independence Day on October 1, 2018 marks 24 years of our nation's Independence as a sovereign nation; and

WHEREAS, on October 1, 2019, the Republic of Palau will commemorate a significant milestone in our national history as we recognize and celebrate our Silver Anniversary, 25 years of Independence as a self-governing nation, and the extraordinary achievements our young independent nation has accomplished since; and

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the Constitution and laws of the Republic of Palau, I, Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr., President of the Republic of Palau, hereby direct as follows:

(1) There shall be an Independence Day Committee that shall be responsible for inviting state dignitaries and other off-island guests, organizing, and planning the events and festivities in celebration of our Independence Day on October 1, 2018 and our Silver Anniversary in celebration of our 25 years of Independence on October 1, 2019.

(2) The following shall be the members of the Independence Day Committee:

(A) Co-Chairmen:

(I) Vice President Raynold B. Oilouch, Minister of Justice

(II) Faustina K. Rehuher-Marugg, Minister of State



- (III) Elbuchel Sadang, Minister of Finance
- (IV) Baklai Temengil-Chilton, Minister of Community and Cultural Affairs
- (V) Charles I. Obichang, Minister of Public Infrastructure, Industries and Commerce

(B) Members

- (I) Dr. Emais Roberts, Minister of Health
- (II) F. Umiich Sengebau, Minister of Natural Resources, Environment and Tourism
- (III) Sinton Soalablai, Minister of Education
- (IV) Secilil Eldebechel, Chief of Staff, Office of the President
- (V) Hokkons Baules, Senate President of the 10th Olbiil Era Kelulau or his designee
- (VI) Sabino Anastacio, Speaker of the House of Delegates of the 10th Olbiil Era Kelulau or his designee
- (VII) Ibedul Yutaka M. Gibbons, Chairman of the Council of Chiefs or his designee
- (VIII) Governor Temmy L. Shmull, Chairman of the Governors' Association or his designee
- (IX) Speaker Sylverius Tellei, Chairman of the Organization of State Speakers or his designee

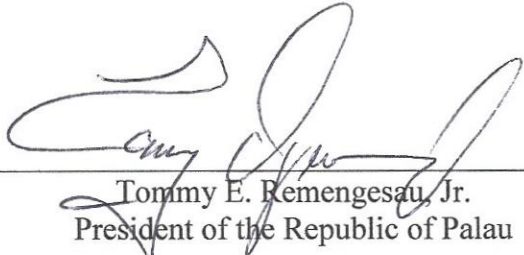


(C) Supporting Members:

- Ngirabelas Tmetuchl, Chairman of the Board, Palau Visitors' Authority
- Vivian Ngirarsaol Protine, President of the Board, Palau Chamber of Commerce
- Frank Kyota, President, Palau National Olympic Committee
- Ngirataoch Nick Ngwal, Executive Director, Palau National Marine Sanctuary
- Olympia Morei, Director, Belau National Museum
- Hadden Seklii, President, Palau National Youth Council

(3) The members of the Committee may utilize national government employees in support of the Committee's objectives, so long as the use of such employees does not compromise the employee's work productivity and regular duties in their position in the national government.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this 20th day of June 2018 in the Republic of Palau.



Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr.
President of the Republic of Palau