

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 131

### *Establishing the Micronesian Games Organizing Committee*

**WHEREAS**, Palau athletes represented the Republic with distinction at the 1969 Micronesian Olympic Games in the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas, in the 1990 Micronesian Games in the Commonwealth of the Northern Marianas, and in the 1994 Micronesian Games in the Territory of Guam; and

**WHEREAS**, the participating countries of the 1994 Micronesian Games honored Palau by approving its request to host the 1998 Micronesian Games, a competition which will attract over 1,800 athletes from throughout the Micronesian region to participate in these games; and

**WHEREAS**, the youth of Palau and Micronesia will benefit from improved athletic facilities which will be used for the 1998 Micronesian Games; and

**WHEREAS**, the reputation of Palau's tourist industry is enhanced by hosting international sporting events; and

**WHEREAS**, Palau must begin the preparation necessary in order to present a plan for the hosting of the 1998 Micronesian Games to the Micronesian Games Council;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, by virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the Republic of Palau, pursuant to the Constitution and applicable laws of the Republic, it is hereby ordered that:

1. A Micronesian Games Organizing Committee for the 1998 Micronesian Games shall be created.
2. The Committee shall include, but not be limited to, the following membership:

Minister of Education (Chairman)  
Minister of Community and Cultural Affairs (Vice Chairman)  
Minister of Resources and Development  
Minister of Administration  
Minister of State  
President, Palau Community College  
Chairperson, Senate Committee on Ways and Means  
Chairperson, House Committee on Ways and Means  
Executive Director, Koror State Public Land Authority  
Chief of Staff  
Mr. Mitsungi Solang, Member of Micronesian Games Council  
Mr. Bill Keldermans, Member of Micronesian Games Council  
Mr. Ric Mangham, Member, Belau Track & Field Association

3. The Committee shall immediately begin preparation of a Preliminary Plan for hosting of the 1998 Games to be presented to the Micronesian Games Council.
4. The Committee, which can establish subcommittees as necessary to complete its work, shall present to and encourage the support of the Olbiil Era Kelulau to appropriate funds for the renovation and/or building sports facilities for the 1998 Games.

***IN WITNESS WHEREOF***, I have hereunder set my hand and affixed my official seal this 15<sup>th</sup> day of August 1994, in the State of Koror, Republic of Palau.

Kuniwo Nakamura  
President  
Republic of Palau