

## **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 287**

### ***ADOPTING THE 2010 PALAU NATIONAL DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK AND REPEALING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 166-99***

**WHEREAS**, the Republic of Palau is a party to the Pacific Disaster Risk Reduction and Disaster Management Framework for Action 2005-2015: Building the Resilience of Nations and Communities to Disasters, and the Hyogo Framework for Action 2005-2015.

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order No. 166-99 issued May 10, 1999 adopted the September 18, 1998 Republic of Palau National Disaster Management Plan.

**WHEREAS**, the 2010 Palau National Disaster Risk Management Framework lays down a comprehensive response and recovery arrangement and sets up the mechanism for incorporating disaster risk reduction and mitigation measures to achieve sustainable national development planning mandated in the 2020 Palau National Master Development Plan.

**WHEREAS**, by adopting the 2010 Palau National Disaster Risk Management Framework there is no longer a need for the September 18, 1998 Republic of Palau National Disaster Management Plan and therefore Executive Order No. 166-99 should be repealed.

**WHEREAS**, accelerated global warming exacerbates climate variability which increases the frequency and severity of natural disasters in the Pacific.

**WHEREAS**, the dangers arising from disasters and national emergencies imperil a wide range of interests and require an equally broad response.

**WHEREAS**, all ministries and agencies of the Executive Branch must be prepared to coordinate efforts and cooperate in order to effectively meet the challenges posed by disasters and national emergencies.

**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 as follows:

1. The 2010 Palau National Disaster Risk Management Framework is adopted in its entirety.
2. Executive Order No. 166-99 is hereby repealed.
3. The Vice President, as Chairman of the National Emergency Committee, shall distribute copies of the 2010 Palau National Disaster Risk Management Framework and Executive Order No. 287, adopted herein, to all Ministers and members of the National Emergency Committee.
4. All Ministers and members of the National Emergency Committee maintain a copy of the 2010 Palau National Disaster Risk Management Framework and Executive Order No. 287 in a readily accessible location within their respective ministries and offices.
5. All Ministers and members of the National Emergency Committee must ensure all plans and procedures required of all ministries and the National Emergency Committee be developed, tested, and ready for implementation during any national disasters and emergencies.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and affix my official seal this 19<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2010.

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/s/  
Johnson Toribiong  
President  
Republic of Palau