

PRESIDENTIAL DECLARATION NO. 01-94
Declaring October First a National Holiday
Independence Day

WHEREAS, the Republic of Palau and the United States of America will be Implementing the Compact of Free Association on October 1, 1954; and

WHEREAS, also on that day, October 1, 1994, the Republic of Palau will commence its journey as a sovereign and independent nation freely associated with the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, such an historic moment justifies a national jubilation to signify the importance of regaining our sovereignty and independence and the end of 108 years of foreign administration which began in 1886 with Spain and Germany, Japan, and the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, it is befitting the Republic of Palau to rejoice as a nation and celebrate this special occasion;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kuniwo Nakamura, President of the Republic of Palau, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the Republic, hereby declare the First Day of October a National Holiday to be observed by the Republic, starting on October 1, 1994.

SO DECLARED this 23rd day of September, 1994.

/s/
Kuniwo Nakamura
President of the Republic of Palau