PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION NO. 01-04

Earth Day: Plant for Future Generation

WHEREAS, April 22nd is internationally recognized throughout the world as Earth Day to promote understanding of conservation of the earth's resources and planetary environment; and

WHEREAS, it is everyone's responsibility as steward of the earth and its environment to prevent excessive exploitation and depletion of our natural resources; and

WHEREAS, our island environment is fragile and our livelihood depends on it; and

WHEREAS, sustainable development will help today's Palauans achieve their desired financial goals and lifestyles without jeopardizing future opportunities for tomorrow's generation of Palauans; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of Earth Day is to proclaim a day upon which we will remind ourselves of the importance of taking care of the earth, conserving our natural resources and natural beauty for health and prosperity's sake; and

WHEREAS, I encourage each State and Hamlet in Palau to plant seedlings at their property site on the main road on Sunday, April 22, 2001, Earth Day;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as President of the Republic of Palau, and In the interest of conserving Palau's natural resources for future generations, I hereby proclaim April 22, 2001 as Earth Day in the Republic of Palau with activities coordinated by the Palau Environmental Quality Protection Board, the Environmental Health and Sanitation, Palau Community Action Agency, and the Palau Visitors Authority on April 2-22, 2001.

day of April 2001 at Koror, Republic of Palau.

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

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