

PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION NO. 05-00

Regarding the Death of the Late Uoruos Timarong Adalbert

WHEREAS, on April 23, 2000 at 7:58 p.m., Palau time, after a lifetime of public service and commitment to the people of the State of Ngiwal, Republic of Palau, UORUOS Timarong Adalbert was called to his eternal rest; and

WHEREAS, the late UORUOS Timarong Adalbert was born on February 02, 1921, in his State of Ngiwal to Mr. Bechab Ibechang and Mrs. Ritang Bechab and was adopted by Rikang and Rusiang; and

WHEREAS, the late UORUOS Timarong Adalbert attended Melekeok Elementary School starting in 1929 and graduated after three years; and

WHEREAS, in 1933, UORUOS Timarong Adalbert graduated from carpentry school in Koror, also during the Japanese Administration; and

WHEREAS, during the phosphate mining in Angaur State, the late UORUOS Timarong Adalbert was recruited for his good character and work ethics as Heavy Equipment Operator; and

WHEREAS, because of his dedication and good work habit, the late UORUOS Timarong Adalbert, in March 1964, was recruited by Kaiser Company in Guam as heavy equipment operator; and

WHEREAS, the late UORUOS Timarong Adalbert was also one of the very few best baseball players of the State of Ngiwal and played for Ngiwal Team with total commitment and dedication; and

WHEREAS, the late UORUOS Timarong Adalbert, at the young age of 57, was called by his clan to carry on the title UORUOS, the highest chief title in the State of Ngiwal; and

WHEREAS, the late UORUOS Timarong Adalbert performed his traditional duties skillfully and adeptly that the State of Ngiwal became one and strong under his able leadership; and

WHEREAS, during the Ngiwal State Constitutional Convention in 1983, the late UORUOS Timarong Adalbert, as a delegate to the convention, strongly pushed for the involvement of the traditional leaders in the new system of government; and

WHEREAS, the late UORUOS Timarong Adalbert was a member of the Kelulul Ngiwal from 1984 until his untimely death; and

WHEREAS, the late UORUOS Timarong Adalbert Adalbert, is survived by his wife-Anna Kubarii Timarong; children-Miriam Timarong, Margery Little, Marshal Timarong,

Hanania Salony, Edmund Timarong, Senglita Timarong (deceased), Ronald Timarong, Johndeck Timarong, Azaria Timarong, and Rusiang Timarong; brothers-Malchiyanged Bechab (deceased), Darrow Bechab, Mesubed Bechab, Markus Bechab; sisters-Saruang Takataro, Mertii Sandei, Daudelil Tulmau, Mirair Yobech, Reiko Damasong, Erena Silves, Sadaria Ngowakl; grandchildren-Perry, Philia, Genesis, Vito, Joel, Elizabeth, Exodus, Jennifer, Youlsau, Whitney, Obak, Anna, Betuu Justy, and Telbang Psalm; and numerous nephews, nieces, and cousins.

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the Constitution and the laws of the Republic of Palau and by the provisions of 1 PNC 503(c) and of Executive Order No. 24, I, Kuniwo Nakamura, President of the Republic of Palau, hereby proclaim that a state of national mourning shall be observed throughout the Republic as a tribute to the late UORUOS Timarong Adalbert and that to properly observe the occasion of the death of this distinguished public servant, all flags regularly flown within the jurisdiction of the Republic, and the national flags of Palau flown at liaison offices and embassies in other countries, shall be flown at half-mast for a period of five (5) days commencing April 25, 2000, and ending on April 30, 2000.

SO PROCLAIMED, this 25th day of April 2000, at Meyuns, Koror, Republic of Palau.

/s/
for Kuniwo Nakamura
President of the Republic of Palau