

PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION NO. 08-82

Older Palauans Month, 1982

A nation derives its soul, strength, and character from the sum of the creative efforts of all its citizens. While we are a nation of more than 15 thousand individuals, we are one people-interdependent on each other for our accomplishments and our future.

We owe a special debt of gratitude to our older citizens, who have enriched, and continue to enrich, our new Republic. Older Palauans from all walks of life have played a major role in creating the bounties of life that bless us all.

As we have come to appreciate the reservoir of experience and depth of knowledge possessed by older citizens, we must recognize the importance of continuing to draw on them. Older Palauans have much to give, both through knowledge and traditions. In paying homage to the contributions and continued potential of older Palauans, we also recognize there are those among them who require assistance from others to enhance the quality of their golden years.

As a Republic we will age together. Opportunities and support we can provide to older Palauans today will benefit all of us tomorrow.

I urge all Palauans to join in this call for intergeneration action that will make meaningful the lives and potential of older Palauans and our society as a whole.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Haruo I. Remeliik, President of the Republic of Palau, do hereby designate the month of July, 1982, as Older Palauans Month.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 29th day of June, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and eighty-two, and of the beginning of the second year of our constitutional government.

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Haruo I. Remeliik
President of the Republic of Palau