

Presidential Proclamation No. 09-09

Declaring October 1, 2009, as the Date that the National Government of the Republic of Palau will Celebrate Independence Day for 2009, and

Declaring October 2, 2009 as the Date that the National Government of the Republic of Palau will Celebrate United Nations Day for 2009.

WHEREAS, pursuant to the authority granted the President under 1 PNC § 701, President Kuniwo Nakamura issued Presidential Declaration No. 01-94 declaring the first of October of each year to be a National Holiday to celebrate Palau Independence Day; and

WHEREAS, this year the first of October falls on a Thursday; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to 1 PNC § 701(f) the 24th day of October of each year is a National Holiday celebrating United Nations Day; and

WHEREAS, this year the 24th day of October falls on a Saturday, and therefore United Nations Day would be celebrated on Friday, the 23rd of October; and

WHEREAS, the President of Palau has proclaimed October 1-2, 2009 as the dates that the next Olechotel Belau Fair is to be celebrated; and

WHEREAS, the President has determined that it would be more efficient and in the best interests of the Republic that the National Government of the Republic of Palau celebrate United Nations Day this year on Friday, October 2, 2009, instead of on Friday, October 23, 2009, so that the employees of the National Government can enjoy the Olechotel Belau Fair throughout an uninterrupted two-day day period, and instead report to work as usual on Friday, October 23, 2009;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as President by the Constitution and laws of the Republic of Palau, and in consultation with the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Delegates of the Eighth Olbiil Era Kelulau, and with the Chief Justice of the Palau Supreme Court, I hereby proclaim October 1, 2009, as the date that the National Government of the Republic of Palau will celebrate Independence Day this year, and I proclaim October 2, 2009, as the date that the National Government of the Republic of Palau will celebrate United Nations Day this year. All employees of the National Government of the Republic of Palau will be placed on leave with pay on October

1st and 2nd, except those employees whose duties require that they report to work to ensure that vital public services continue to operate. Employees of the National Government of the Republic of Palau will report to work as usual on Friday, October 23, 2009.

May God Bless you all and kom kmal mesulang!

SO PROCLAIMED this 17th day of September, 2009, at Ngerulmud, Republic of Palau.

/s/

Johnson Toribiong
President of the Republic of Palau