

PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION NO. 10-00

Regarding the Death of the Late Former SENATOR
Iyeehadribukel Baules Sechelong

WHEREAS, on Wednesday, August 16, 2000 at approximately 10:50 p.m., Palau time, after a lifetime of public service and commitment to the people of the Republic of Palau, late former SENATOR and IYECADRIBUKEL Baules Sechelong was called to his eternal rest; and

WHEREAS, the late former SENATOR Baules Sechelong was born on November 03, 1915, in Ngerbeched, Koror State, to Mr. Sechelong and Mrs. Kelaulbai; and

WHEREAS the late former SENATOR Baules Sechelong was educated during the Japanese Administration; and

WHEREAS, the late former SENATOR Baules Sechelong served as an immediate supervisor for all Palauans working on the Airai Air-Field construction; and

WHEREAS, the late former SENATOR Baules Sechelong, served, with distinctions, as a Legislator (At-Large) for the 1st through the 7th Palau District Legislature; and

WHEREAS, the late former SENATOR Baules Sechelong, elected by the people of Airai, became a Delegate to the 1979 Palau Constitutional Convention (Con-Con) where he was properly honored and named as the “Dean of the Convention”; and

WHEREAS, the late former SENATOR Baules Sechelong ran unopposed and was elected as the Senator for Airai State for the First Olbiil Era Kelulau under the constitutional government; and

WHEREAS, the late former SENATOR Baules Sechelong, held the Traditional Titles of Iyeehadribukel of Ngerbeched (Koror State), Ngirkiklang (Airai State), Iyechadrateluang of Ngeruluobel (Airai State), Ngiramering of Ngerbeched (Koror State), and Buik-Belau of Ngerusar (Airai State); and

WHEREAS, the late former SENATOR Baules Sechelong has been recognized as a private entrepreneur and a successful businessman since the early 1950s until present; and

WHEREAS, the late former SENATOR Baules Sechelong was a proactive member of the Airai State Kesebekuu Kabekel as a paddler; and

WHEREAS, the late former SENATOR Baules Sechelong ably worked as a Trial Assistant for the Trust Territory Court System; and

WHEREAS, the late former SENATOR IYECADRIBUKEL Baules Sechelong is

survived by his wife, Dirribukel Techereng Lengai Baules; children-Pastor Mekokil Solomon, Ayano Baules, Humiye Gibbons, Hokkons Baules, Gandhi Baules, Emeraech Baules, Jorena “Joy” Baules, Xavior Baules, Ophelia Baules, Esther M. Baules, Geggie K. Anson, Satsko Baules, Toshikatsu “Toshi” Baules; and Forty-Eight (48) grandchildren and Twenty-Three (23) greatgrandchildren.

NOW, THEREFORE, by the 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 former SENATOR IYechadribukel Baules Sechelong 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 August 18, 2000 and ending on August 23, 2000.

SO PROCLAIMED, this 18th day of August 2000, at Koror State, Republic of Palau.

/s/

Kuniwo Nakamura
President of the Republic of Palau