

Presidential Proclamation No. 10-19
Declaring May 12, 2010 as National Nurses Day

WHEREAS, The estimated one hundred and seventy nurses throughout the Republic of Palau comprise our Nations' largest Health Care Profession, and

WHEREAS, The Palau Nurses Association, as the voice for the Nurses in the country, is working to chart a new course for a Healthy Nation that relies on increasing delivery of Primary and Preventive Health Care, and

WHEREAS, a renewed emphasis on Primary and Preventive Health Care will require the better utilization of all of our Nation's Nursing Resources, and

WHEREAS, Professional Nursing has been demonstrated to be an indispensable component in the safety and quality of care of hospitalized patients, and

WHEREAS, The demand for Nursing Services will be greater than ever because of the aging population in the Republic of Palau, the continuing expansion of life sustaining technology, and the gradual growth and increase of Home Health Care Services, and

WHEREAS, That more qualified nurses will be needed in the future to meet the increasingly complex needs of Health Care Consumers in the community, and

WHEREAS, The cost-effective, Safe and Quality Health Care Services provided by nurses will be an ever more important component of the Republic of Palau Health Care delivery system in the future, and

WHEREAS, Along with the world-wide observance of the Nurses Day, the Palau Nurses Association has declared the day of May 12th as National Nurses Day with the theme: "Delivering Quality, Serving Communities; Nurses Leading Chronic Care" in

celebration of the ways in which nurses strive to provide safe and high quality care, and a call to action for nurses everywhere to lead the fight against chronic diseases; to act as role models for their families, their patients, and their communities; to engage with its partners to advocate for necessary social, economic and political change to prevent the increase in chronic disease into the future; therefore be it

RESOLVED, That I Johnson Toribiong, President of the Republic of Palau, ask all residents of the Republic of Palau to join me in honoring the nurses who care for all of us and be it further,

RESOLVED, That the residents of the Republic of Palau celebrate the nurses' accomplishments and efforts to improve our Health Care System and show our appreciation to nurses not only on this National Nurses Day, but at every opportunity throughout the year.

SO PROCLAIMED this 11th day of May, 2010 at Ngerulmud, Melekeok State, Republic of Palau.

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Johnson Toribiong
President
Republic of Palau