

PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION NO. 10-29

*Declaring October 23, 2010 to January 30, 2011 as Red Ribbon Months
to Signify Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention*

Whereas, the Red Ribbon movement was initiated in the United States as a means to focus on the prevention of alcohol and other drug use and abuse; and

Whereas, alcohol is a drug that is the cause of much death and destruction in Palau; and

Whereas, excessive alcohol consumption accounts for the great majority of car accidents in Palau; and

Whereas, friends, family and concerned citizens must do their part by not allowing persons to drive while impaired by alcohol or other drugs; and

Whereas, all persons are asked to assist by alerting police officers to drunk and drugged drivers and by cooperating at sobriety checkpoints; and

Whereas, everyone in the community needs to be involved in the campaign against the use and abuse of alcohol and other drugs; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Johnson Toribiong, President of the Republic of Palau, do hereby declare October 23, 2010 to January 30, 2011 as Red Ribbon Months in Palau and ask each citizen to make a conscious effort to ensure a safe and healthy holiday season and to take part in this observance and the activities designed to advance the cause of prevention and control of alcohol and other drug use and abuse. Tie a red ribbon to your car antenna and show your solidarity against drunk and drugged driving.

SO PROCLAIMED this 20th day of October 2010 at Capitol, Melekeok State, Republic of Palau.

/s/

Johnson Toribiong
President
Republic of Palau