PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION NO. 11-35

Honoring the late first Palau's First Lady Regina Namiko Blailes Remeliik and Directing that Flags Be Flown at Half Mast in her Memory

NOTING that Mrs. Regina Namiko Remeliik, who became the first First Lady of the Republic of Palau when her late husband, Mr. Haruo I. Remeliik, was elected and installed the first President of the Republic of Palau on January 1, 1981, passed away on December 27, 2010; and

RECOGNIZING the important role that the late First Lady Regina Namiko Remeliik played during the formative years of our Constitutional Government from January 1, 1981 through June 30, 1985 as the wife of the first President of the Republic of Palau; and

NOTING that the late First Lady Regina Namiko Remeliik, who was born on March 23, 1936 in Ulimang, Ngaraard State to the late Paulino Blailes and Leleng Blau Blailes, began her career as a classroom teacher in Ngaraard Elementary School after graduating from Mindszenty High School in 1954 and thereafter pursued her career as a nurse after graduating from a nursing school beginning in 1958 and rose from being a staff nurse to be the Head Nurse of Public Health from 1974 through 1981; and

NOTING that the late First Lady Regina Namiko Remeliik was a faithful wife to her late husband and devoted mother to her seven children, numerous grandchildren, and great-grand children, who survived her along with her numerous nephews, nieces and cousins, relatives and friends; and

NOTING that the passing of the late First Lady Regina Namiko Remeliik is not only a great loss to her family, friends, clan and Ngaraard State, it is also a great loss to the people of the Republic of Palau;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me under the Constitution and laws of the Republic of Palau, and by provision of 1 PNC 506(c) and Executive Order No. 24, I, Johnson Toribiong, President of the Republic of Palau, hereby proclaim that as a display of respect, that our country and our fellow citizens had for the late first Palau's First Lady Regina Namiko Blailes Remeliik, all flags regularly flown within the jurisdiction of Palau, and all flags of the Republic of Palau flown at the Embassies and Consulates of Palau in other countries, shall be hoisted at half-mast for a period of five days, commencing on January 10, 2011.

SO PROCLAIMED this _____7th___ day of January 2011 at the National Capitol, Republic of Palau.

Johnson Toribiong
President, Republic of Palau