

Presidential Proclamation No. 13-101

*To Proclaim that all flags in the Republic be raised to half mast for five (5) days
in Honor and Appreciation of the Contributions of the Late
Franz* B. Reksid to the Republic of Palau.*

WHEREAS, Mr. Frank B. Reksid was born on August 4, 1940 in Koror, Republic of Palau; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Frank B. Reksid graduated from Emmaus High School and furthered his education by attending a nursing school administered by the United States Government during the rebuilding period following the end of the Second World War; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Frank B. Reksid's illustrious career began when he worked as a nurse assigned to provide necessary medical care throughout Babeldaob at a time in which there were no paved roads on Babeldaob and transportation of personnel and medical supplies was very difficult; and

WHEREAS, after working for many years as an outstanding nurse in the medical field Mr. Frank B. Reksid decided to take his career on a different course and embarked on a journey to improve his education in the State of Hawaii, U.S.A.; and

WHEREAS, after furthering his education in Hawaii, Mr. Frank B. Reksid was recruited to work in the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands government office in Saipan and Bank of Guam where he gained experience in government administration and finance; and

WHEREAS, armed with an improved education and experience in government administration and finance, Mr. Frank B. Reksid was appointed under President Lazarus Salii to serve as the Minister of Administration of the Republic of Palau from 1985 -- 1988; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Frank B. Reksid served as an outstanding Minister of Administration in the Second Constitutional Government of the Republic and helped guide the country through a very tumultuous time in the Republic's history when President Salii passed away in 1988; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Frank B. Reksid passed away on November 16, 2013, survived by his wife and his children; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr., President of the Republic of Palau, hereby proclaim that, pursuant to Executive Order No. 292, all flags in the Republic shall be raised to half mast for five (5) days in honor and appreciation of the many contributions made by the former Minister of Administration, Mr. Franz* Reksid, to the Republic of Palau; may he rest in peace and his memory endure with all of the people of Palau.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this November 21, 2013:

/s/

Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr.
President of the Republic of Palau

* The name "Frank" is used through out the text.