

Presidential Proclamation No. 13-90

***To Honor the late Minami Valentine Ueki and
Ordering that all Flags be flown at Half-Mast in his Honor***

WHEREAS, the late former Delegate Minami Valentine Ueki was born in Koror, Republic of Palau on November 15, 1936, to the late Mr. Kiichi Ueki of Japan and the late Mrs. Uchelbil Oiterong Ueki of Aimeliik State; and

WHEREAS, the late former Delegate Minami Valentine Ueki studied in the Republic of Palau and Guam, where he excelled academically; and

WHEREAS, armed with his education, the late former Delegate Minami Valentine Ueki was one of the youngest Palauans during the early Trust Territory years to venture into the private business sector, and

WHEREAS, the late former Delegate Minami Valentine Ueki utilized his early business experience to become a successful businessman with various business enterprises throughout the Republic of Palau; and

WHEREAS, in May 1979, the late former Delegate Minami Valentine Ueki was elected to represent the State of Aimeliik in the Seventh Palau Legislature; and

WHEREAS, during the First Olbiil Era Kelulau, the Delegate of Aimeliik State, Honorable Tem Obakerbau passed away, and the late Minami Valentine Ueki was then elected in a special election to fill in Delegate Obakerbau's seat; and

WHEREAS, in November 1984, the late former Delegate Minami Valentine Ueki was elected to the Second Olbiil Era Kelulau to represent the State of Aimeliik, where, in addition to his responsibility as the Majority Leader who organized the leadership of the House of Delegates of the Second Olbiil Era Kelulau, the late former Delegate Minami Valentine Ueki also chaired the prestigious Committee on Ways and Means of the House of Delegates; and

WHEREAS, in 1988, the late former Delegate Minami Valentine Ueki was elected to serve his third term as a Delegate representing Aimeliik State to the Third Olbiil Era Kelulau, where he was **[sic]** once again was entrusted to chair the Ways and Means Committee; and

WHEREAS, as a member of the Fourth Olbiil Era Kelulau, the late former Delegate Minami Valentine Ueki, by then a veteran of the House of Delegates, was once again entrusted to chair the important Committee on Ways and Means; and

WHEREAS, the late former Delegate Minami Valentine Ueki served a total of fourteen years representing the people of Aimeliik State in the Olbiil Era Kelulau's House of Delegates; and

WHEREAS, the late former Delegate Minami Valentine Ueki served his people with distinction and honor, and his service and legacy shall forever remain a part of the history of the Republic of Palau; and

WHEREAS, the late former Delegate Minami Valentine Ueki also played special role in Aimeliik history as one of the framers of the Aimeliik State Constitution when he represented the Second Ranking Chief of Aimeliik State as a member of the 1981 Aimeliik State Constitutional Convention; and

WHEREAS, the late former Delegate Minami Valentine Ueki was not only active in Palau's government leadership, but was also a respected traditional leader, holding the second ranking chiefly title of Rebes from Aimeliik State and the fourth ranking chiefly title of Ebas from Ngermid in Koror State; and

WHEREAS, the late former Delegate Minami Valentine Ueki will forever be loved and missed by his large family. Delegate Ueki was a loving brother to Recheiungel Dr. Minoru F. Ueki, Sr., the Republic of Palau's former Ambassador to Japan); the late Kimiko Ueki-Murphy; the late Yutaka Ueki, and Batildes Ollaol; and

WHEREAS, the late former Delegate Minami Valentine Ueki is survived by his thirteen (13) children namely Joy K. Ueki, Valentine Minami Ueki, John R. Ueki, Elena H. Ueki Ueda, Rushlynn Ueki, Douglas Ueki, Omdasu Ueki, Melusch Ueki, Omakbeluu Ueki, Kukumai Ueki, Sheila Ueki, Sharon Ueki and Star Ueki; and

WHEREAS, the late former Delegate Minami Valentine Ueki is survived by eighteen (18) grand children, four (4) great grandchildren, and numerous other family members and relatives; and

WHEREAS, the late former Delegate Minami Valentine Ueki was finally called to his eternal rest on May 31, 2013, at the Belau National Hospital; and

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to 1 PNC 501 et. seq. and Executive Order No. 24, as amended by Executive Order No. 292, I, Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr., President of the Republic of Palau, hereby order that as a display of the respect that our country and our fellow citizens have for the late Minami Ueki, all flags regularly flown within the jurisdiction of Palau and all flags of the Republic of Palau flown at Embassies and consulates of Palau in other countries, shall be hoisted at half-mast for a period of five (5) consecutive days from Monday, June 17, 2013, through Friday, June 21, 2013 in remembrance of former Delegate Minami Valentine Ueki.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal this June 11, 2013:

/s/

Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr.
President
Republic of Palau