

PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION NO. 28-85

Re: Death of Late Takeo Yang of Koror

WHEREAS, in the morning of Tuesday, January 29, 1985, Mr. Takeo Yano, also popularly known throughout the Republic of Palau as “Yano-Sang” passed away; and

WHEREAS, born during the Japanese occupation of Palau, as a young boy Takeo Yano attended High School for Japanese citizens both in Palau and in Saipan where his father Felipe Bismark was stationed as Police Officer; and

WHEREAS, because of his unique fluency in the Japanese language, as a young man Mr. Takeo Yano was drafted to serve in the imperial Japanese army and served therein during the second World War; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Takeo Yano was the first Palauan and first Micronesian to occupy the position of administrative assistant in the Naval Administration in Palau immediately after World War II; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Takeo Yano continued his Government service in various capacities both in the Naval and Civil Administrations in Palau; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Takeo Yano was appointed as among the first Micronesians to be Assistant District Administrator for Palau when Palau became District Government under the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Takeo Yano also served in different capacities in the Koror Municipal Government including a tenure as acting Mayor of Koror; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Takeo Yano also served as a member of the Palau Council in advising the District Administrator in policies and island affairs for the Palau District; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Takeo Yano likewise served as elected member of Palau Legislature in its early formative dates; and

WHEREAS, after long and distinguished government service, Mr. Takeo Yano joined the private sector and became Assistant Manager for the Van Camp Fishing operation at Malakal; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his experience and contribution in government service and to the general public, Mr. Takeo Yano was appointed to various Boards, Commissions or Authorities and lately served as Chairman of Palau National Civil Service Board and Vice Chairman of the Palau Maritime Authority; and

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of authority vested in me by Section 7 of the Constitution

of the Republic of Palau and by Public Law No. 7-6-2, and in accordance with the provisions of Executive Order No. 24, I, Haruo I. Remeliik, President of the Republic of Palau, hereby proclaim that a state of national mourning exists throughout the Republic of Palau as a tribute to the late Mr. Takeo Yano; and

IT IS FURTHER PROCLAIMED to properly observe the occasion of the death of this renowned and distinguished leader of the Republic of Palau, all flags regularly flown within the jurisdiction of Palau and the national flag of the Republic of Palau flown at the liaison or representative offices of Palau in other countries shall be hoisted at half-mast for a period of five days commencing on Tuesday, January 29th and ending on Saturday, February 2, 1985.

SO PROCLAIMED this 30th day of January, 1985, at Koror State, Republic of Palau.

/s/

Haruo I. Remeliik
President of the Republic of Palau