

## PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION NO. 42-87

Re: Death of Joseph Tellei (Oukerdeu)

WHEREAS, Joseph Tellei (Oukerdeu) passed away on September 15, 1987 after a long illness; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Tellei's passing is a great loss to the Republic; and

WHEREAS, he was a dedicated public servant for many years during the Japanese period and during the Trust Territory Administration, as a police officer and as member of the earlier Olbiil Era Kelulau; and

WHEREAS, Joseph Tellei had been one of the few Palauans who understood Palauan society whose advise on Palauan matters was sought by Government officials and scholars from abroad; and

WHEREAS, the service he rendered to the people of Palau was always of the highest order, and should be appropriately recognized;

NOW, THEREFORE, by the power vested in me as President under the laws and Constitution of Palau, I hereby proclaim September 21, 1987 as a day of public mourning for the late Joseph Tellei, and I further direct that all flags flying within the Republic of Palau shall be lowered to half-mast to mark this day of mourning.

So proclaimed this 21<sup>st</sup> day of September, 1987.

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for Lazarus E. Salii  
President of the Republic of Palau