

PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION NO. 61-91

Re: Death of the Late Jacob Sawaichi Former Congressman from Palau

WHEREAS, it is my sad duty to report that former Congress of Micronesia member Jacob Sawaichi died on December 15, 1991; and

WHEREAS, the late Jacob Sawaichi's political career began in 1963 upon his election as a Legislator from Koror to the Palau District Legislature under the revised Charter of the Palau Legislature by then the High Commissioner of the Trust Territory of the Pacific Islands. He also served as speaker of the Palau District Legislature in 1964; and

WHEREAS, in November 1965 the late Sawaichi was elected to serve in the House of Representatives of the Congress of Micronesia as a Congressman from Palau. He was re-elected in 1967 for a second term; and

WHEREAS, in 1969, the late Sawaichi was elected to a two-year term in the Palau District Legislature, representing the State of Ngchesar; and

WHEREAS, the late Sawaichi was also a businessman who served as the General Manager of the Western Caroline Trading company from 1957 to 1974; and

WHEREAS, the late Sawaichi became a member of the local traditional Council of Chiefs of Koror as "Uchel era Trolii" and was also given a traditional title of Ngchesar State as "Madraidub" and served in those capacities until his death; and

NOW, THEREFORE, as President of the Republic of Palau, and pursuant to Palau Public Law No. 7-6-2 and Executive Order No. 24, I proclaim Wednesday, December 18, 1991, a day of mourning for the passing away of the late Jacob Sawaichi.

I FURTHER PROCLAIM that all flags flown within the territory of the Republic of Palau be flown at half-mast on Tuesday, December 17, 1991 until the day of interment as a gesture of respect and mourning to the late Jacob Sawaichi.

SO PROCLAIMED on this 17th day of December, 1991.

/s/

Ngiratkel Etpison
President of the Republic of Palau