

AN ACT

To authorize and appropriate additional sums from the National Treasury for general operations and capital improvements of the Republic of Palau for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016; to enact Continuing Budget Authority for Fiscal Year 2017; to appropriate funds to reimburse the Vice President for legal expenses; to repeal the visa fees in 13 PNC § 1007, as amended by RPPL 9-49; to amend entry permit rules in 13 PNC § 1002 to restore its original language prior to its amendment by RPPL 9-49; to postpone the deadline for implementing the Environmental Impact Fee; to lower the Social Security retirement age to 60; and for related purposes.

THE PEOPLE OF PALAU REPRESENTED IN THE OLBHIL ERA KELULAU DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

1 Section 1. Short Title. This Act may be cited as “The Fiscal Year 2016
2 Supplemental Budget Authorization and Appropriation Act”.

3 Section 2. Amendment. Section 2 of RPPL No. 9-46, as amended, is hereby
4 amended to read as follows:

5 “Section 2. Executive Branch Operations. The sum of \$42,609,325 is authorized
6 for appropriation and is hereby appropriated for expenditure and obligation for Fiscal
7 Year 2016 for the purpose of covering the operational and contingent expenses of the
8 Executive Branch. The total amount authorized to be appropriated shall be made up of
9 the following available revenues: The amount of \$24,462,325 shall come from local
10 revenues; the amount of \$13,147,000 shall come from anticipated USDOJ-OIA Fiscal
11 Year 2016 grant assistance provided to Palau; the amount of \$5,000,000 shall come from
12 Compact Section 211(f) Trust Fund investment account; and the amount of \$470,000
13 shall come from COFA Non-Trust Fund. The total amount authorized for appropriation
14 and that is hereby appropriated in this section shall be allocated according to the
15 following schedule, respectively:

16 ...

17 (3) Ministry of Finance

18 ...

19 (e) Bureau of Public Service System \$238,500

1	(b) FAA, UNDP & Other Match	\$665,000
2	<i>Additional funding in the amount of \$150,000 is requested as initial</i>	
3	<i>matching fund towards the Palau State Governments Strengthening Project</i>	
4	<i>administered by the Bureau of Domestic Affairs and UNDP.</i>	
5	...	
6	(f) Bureau of Lands and Survey	\$870,500
7	<i>Of these funds, the sum of \$8,000 is earmarked for the purpose of financing</i>	
8	<i>the per diem allotment for the land registration officers and crew during the</i>	
9	<i>land monumentation and surveying for the Melieli and Fanna islands of</i>	
10	<i>Sonsorol State, the sum of \$15,500 is earmarked for supplies and the charter</i>	
11	<i>boat fee for the trip to perform the monumentation and surveying of Fanna</i>	
12	<i>Island, and \$8,000 is earmarked for the purchase of a land transportation</i>	
13	<i>vehicle for use in the official duties of the Land Registration Officers Section.</i>	
14	<i>All funds earmarked in this subsection shall be non-lapsing.</i>	
15	(g) Bureau of Public Works	\$1,319,000
16	<i>Of these funds, the sum of \$50,000 is earmarked for the operations of the</i>	
17	<i>Palau Energy Office.</i>	
18	...	
19		Sub-Total \$6,684,500
20	...	
21	(8) Ministry of Justice	
22	...	
23	(b) Bureau of Immigration	\$480,000
24	<i>Of these funds, \$54,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is</i>	
25	<i>earmarked for the purpose of personnel reclassification.</i>	
26	(c) Bureau of Public Safety	\$3,249,000
27	<i>Of these funds, \$396,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is</i>	
28	<i>earmarked for the purpose of personnel reclassification.</i>	
29	(d) Bureau of Labor & Human Resources	\$325,000

1		<i>Of these funds, \$24,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is</i>	
2		<i>earmarked for the purpose of personnel reclassification.</i>	
3	(e)	Bureau of Marine Law Enforcement	\$887,000
4		<i>Of these funds, \$200,000 is earmarked for the Biennial "slipping" refit of</i>	
5		<i>Patrol Boat and \$25,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is</i>	
6		<i>earmarked for the purpose of personnel reclassification.</i>	
7			Sub-Total \$5,571,000
8	(9)	Ministry of Health	
9		...	
10	(c)	Health Admin and Support Service	
11		Health Administration	(\$2,713,500)
12		<i>Of these funds, \$15,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is</i>	
13		<i>earmarked to cover repairs and improvements to the hospital wards.</i>	
14		Manila Medical Referral	(\$157,000)
15		<i>Of these funds, \$47,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is</i>	
16		<i>earmarked for Manila Medical Referral to cover housing improvements.</i>	
17		...	
18		Taipei Medical Referral	(\$150,000)
19		<i>Of these funds, \$25,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is</i>	
20		<i>earmarked to cover additional staff and housing to assist and accommodate</i>	
21		<i>medical referral patients.</i>	
22	(d)	Medical Supplies & Drugs	\$600,000
23		...	
24	(j)	Division of Oral Health	\$120,000
25		<i>Of these funds, \$75,000 is earmarked for the purchase of two dental chair</i>	
26		<i>units and \$45,000 is for earmarked for the shipment, materials, and</i>	
27		<i>installation of the dental chair units. This appropriation is non-lapsing.</i>	
28			Sub-Total \$10,221,500
29	(10)	Ministry of Natural Resources, Environment & Tourism	

1	...	
2	(b) Bureau of Marine Resources	\$625,000
3	<i>Of these funds, \$75,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary, is</i>	
4	<i>earmarked for the purpose of demolishing the old giant clam hatchery in</i>	
5	<i>preparation for a JICA technical cooperation project to make substantial</i>	
6	<i>improvements to the giant clam hatchery facilities of the Bureau of Marine</i>	
7	<i>Resources.</i>	
8	(c) Bureau of Agriculture	\$611,000
9	...	
10		Sub-Total \$1,499,000
11		Section 2 Total \$42,609,325”

12 Section 3. Amendment. Section 4 of RPPL 9-46, as amended, is hereby amended
13 as follows:

14 “Section 4. Legislative Branch. The sum of \$5,721,500 is hereby authorized to
15 be appropriated and is hereby appropriated for expenditure or obligation for Fiscal
16 Year 2016 for the purpose of covering the operational and contingent expenses of the
17 Legislative Branch. The entire amount of funds authorized and appropriated in this
18 section shall come from local revenues. The total authorization and appropriation shall
19 be allocated according to the following schedule:

20	(1) Senate	\$2,258,000
21	Of these funds, the sum of \$100,000 is earmarked for the Palau	
22	Community Association of Guam for the purpose of building a cultural	
23	center.	
24	...	
25	(3) House of Delegates	\$2,674,500
26	...	
27		Section 4 Total \$5,721,500”

28 Section 4. Amendment. Section 5 of RPPL No. 9-46 is hereby amended to read
29 as follows:

1 shall come from local revenues. The total authorization and appropriation shall be
2 allocated according to the following schedule, respectively:

3 ...

4 (3) Palau Environmental Quality Protection Board \$450,000

5 ...

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7 (5) Palau Visitors Authority \$920,000

8 *Of this sum, the amount of \$80,000, or so much thereof as may be necessary,*
9 *shall be earmarked for the printing and supply stock of arrival forms for*
10 *fiscal year 2016.*

11 (6) National Aviation Administration \$185,000

12 ...

13 **Section 7 Total \$2,777,000”**

14 Section 6. Amendment. Section 8 of RPPL No. 9-46 is hereby amended to read as
15 follows:

16 “Section 8. Other Agencies and Activities. The sum of \$1,908,000 is authorized
17 for appropriation and is hereby appropriated for expenditure or obligation for Fiscal
18 Year 2016 as grants or subsidies for recurring programs and activities except as
19 provided by law. The entire amount of funds authorized and appropriated in this section
20 shall come from local revenues. The total authorization and appropriation shall be
21 allocated according to the following schedule, respectively:

22 ...

23 (8) PNOC & Sports Organizations \$277,000

24 *Of this sum, the amount of \$100,000, or so much thereof as may be*
25 *necessary, shall be earmarked to provide funding support for the restoration*
26 *of the Palau National Gym, and supplement funds to the Palau Olympic*
27 *Team, Palau Youth Sports and Festival, Elite Athletes National*
28 *Scholarships, and swimming pool and volleyball gym repairs and lights, and*
29 *the funds shall be non-lapsing.*

30 ...

Section 8 Total \$1,908,000”

Section 7. Amendment. Section 9 of RPPL 9-46 is hereby amended as follows:

“Section 9. Education Assistance. The sum of \$5,422,515 is hereby authorized to be appropriated and is hereby appropriated for expenditure or obligation for Fiscal Year 2016 to subsidize the educational institutions and scholarship program set forth below. The total amount authorized to be appropriated and that is hereby appropriated in this section shall come from local revenue. The total authorization and appropriation shall be allocated according to the following schedule, respectively:

(1) Palau Community College	\$2,573,515
(a) PCC Operations (prov, FY04)	(2,388,000)

Of this sum, \$50,000 is earmarked for the purpose of supplementing the Palau Community College Endowment Fund and is non-lapsing.

...

Section 9 Total \$5,422,515”

Section 8. Amendment. Section 10 of RPPL 9-46 is hereby amended as follows:

“Section 10. Hospital Trust Fund. The amount of \$3,296,000, or the actual amount collected, is hereby authorized to be appropriated and is hereby appropriated for Fiscal Year 2016 for purposes of the Hospital Trust Fund. The amount authorized to be appropriated and that is hereby appropriated shall come from the revenues derived from clinical and public health medical and dental services fees and charges during the fiscal year, so long as the actual expenditures or obligations does not exceed actual revenue receipts. Any unexpended or unobligated balance of the appropriation of this section shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year. Of the funds appropriated in this section, \$350,000 shall be authorized and appropriated for the purpose of establishing a long-term care facility or ward located on the premises of the Belau National Hospital that is equipped for long-term care and the funds shall be non-lapsing. The construction shall be administered by the Minister of Health with consultation from the CIP Office. Of the funds appropriated in this section, \$7,500 shall be authorized and appropriated to the Ministry of Health for the purchase of a medical waste disposal vehicle.”

1 **Section 9. Amendment. Section 18 of RPPL 9-46, as amended, is hereby**
2 **amended as follows:**

3 **“Section 18. Subsidy to PPUC for Water & Sewer Operations. The sum of**
4 **\$1,603,500 is authorized for appropriation and is hereby appropriated for expenditure**
5 **in Fiscal Year 2016 to subsidize the power, water and sewer improvement operations**
6 **of the Palau Public Utilities Corporation (PPUC), provided that the amount of**
7 **\$603,500, or so much thereof as may be necessary, shall be utilized by the PPUC to**
8 **costs associated with migrating their SCADA system to a new bandwidth (radio**
9 **frequency) and to establish and fund a permanent subsidy program for electrical**
10 **power consumption for fixed or low income household customers. The Subsidy**
11 **Program shall subsidize electrical power usage for only the life-line rate (0-150Kwh)**
12 **for eligible households. Eligibility criteria shall be based on the poverty threshold as**
13 **defined in the *Analysis of the 2006 Household Income and Expenditure Survey Report***
14 **and as updated. The PPUC and the Ministry of Finance shall work together to develop**
15 **rules and regulations to implement this subsidy program effective October 1, 2016.**
16 **The PPUC shall provide an annual report of the subsidy program to the President and**
17 **the Olbiil Era Kelulau including but not limited to the number of eligible household**
18 **customers, program and administrative cost. The entire amount authorized to be**
19 **appropriated and appropriated in this section shall come from the 50 percent**
20 **allocation of “Green Fee” collections for power, water and sewer improvements. Any**
21 **unexpended or unobligated balance of the appropriation of this section shall not lapse**
22 **at the end of the fiscal year. Additionally, the sum of \$150,000 is authorized for**
23 **appropriation and \$150,000 is hereby appropriated to offset the AFPAC rate increase**
24 **for residential customers using 500 kilowatts per hour or less per month and the funds**
25 **shall come from local revenues. The sum of \$1,390,000 is further authorized for**
26 **appropriation and is hereby appropriated, of which the amount of \$879,000 is for the**
27 **purposes of JICA ODA Site Preparation; the amount of \$448,000 for Outlying State**
28 **Environmental Regulation Compliance; and the amount of \$63,000 for the repair of**
29 **the Koror street lights;. The amount of \$260,000 is further authorized for**
30 **appropriation and is hereby appropriated as subsidy to offset water and wastewater**

1 billings for PPUC customers for the month of March and April 2016 in light of the
2 extreme drought conditions and the resulting declared state of emergency. The
3 additional sums further authorized to be appropriated and that are appropriated shall
4 come from local revenues. Additionally, PPUC shall not bill Angaur state customers
5 for Water and Wastewater services, retroactively to January 2016, until such time as
6 water quality is improved, as confirmed by the EQPB, and that associated billings that
7 have been paid shall be credited to the customers' future service billings."

8 Section 10. Amendment. Section 24 of RPPL 9-46 is hereby amended as follows:

9 "Section 24. Angaur State Boat. The sum of \$250,000 is hereby authorized to be
10 appropriated and is hereby appropriated for expenditure or obligation for Fiscal Year
11 2016 to provide additional funding toward the repairs or replacement of the Angaur
12 State Boat, Regina IV. An additional \$25,000 shall be authorized to be appropriated and
13 hereby appropriated for the state boat fuel. The funds shall be administered by the
14 Governor of Angaur and shall be non-lapsing. For the safety of passengers and proper
15 maintenance of the vessel, the master/captain and engineer of the Angaur State Boat
16 shall be appropriately licensed for a vessel of the Angaur State Boat's engine power and
17 size. The Angaur State Boat must be maintained and operated in compliance with all
18 applicable rules and regulations of the Republic of Palau. The entire amount authorized
19 to be appropriated and appropriated in this section shall come from local revenues. Any
20 unexpended or unobligated balance of the appropriation of this section shall not lapse at
21 fiscal year end."

22 Section 11. Amendment. Section 25 of RPPL 9-46 is hereby amended as follows:

23 "Section 25. Ngaraard State Government. The sum of \$125,000 is authorized for
24 appropriation and is hereby appropriated for expenditure or obligation for Fiscal Year
25 2016 to the Ngaraard State Government. In anticipation of residence relocations from
26 low-lying areas due to the effects of climate change and to accommodate existing
27 households, the appropriated sum shall be allocated for Phase I construction projects
28 for water and power line extensions from Ngkeklau to Ngerdebsiu. Ngaraard State
29 Government shall have the discretion to choose which Phase I construction project will
30 receive priority. Additionally, the sum of \$25,000 is authorized and appropriated to the

1 Ngaraard State Government for the purpose of expanding the system of water and
2 power lines within the state. The entire amount of the funds authorized and
3 appropriated in this section shall come from local revenues. Any unexpended or
4 unobligated balance of the appropriation of this section shall not lapse at the end of the
5 fiscal year.”

6 Section 12. Amendment. Section 26 of RPPL 9-46 is hereby amended as follows:

7 “Section 26. Ngatpang State Government. The sum of \$35,000 is authorized and
8 appropriated to the Ngatpang State Government as requested for the cost of shipping
9 heavy equipment from the Republic of China (Taiwan) to Palau. Additionally, the sum
10 of \$25,000 is authorized and appropriated to the Ngatpang State Government for the
11 purpose of zoning and capital improvement projects to be determined by the Governor
12 and State Legislature. The entire amount of the funds authorized and appropriated in
13 this section shall come from local revenues and shall be non-lapsing.”

14 Section 13. Amendment. Section 27 of RPPL 9-46 is hereby amended as follows:

15 “Section 27. Ngiwal State Government. The sum of \$141,000 is authorized for
16 appropriation and is hereby appropriated for expenditure or obligation for Fiscal Year
17 2016 to the Capital Improvement Project Office to begin Phase I to provide power and
18 water lines to the Ngiwal Housing Area (Ngarmechau) and to upgrade the existing road
19 from East Ngiwal to the Compact Road connecting the Ngiwal Housing Area
20 (Ngarmechau) to the Compact Road. Of these funds, the sum of \$10,000 is allocated for
21 power lines, \$6,000 is allocated for water lines, and \$125,000 is allocated for the road
22 construction. An additional \$40,000 is authorized and appropriated to the Ngiwal State
23 Government to be allocated as follows: \$10,000 is allocated for renovation and
24 improvements to the Imekang waiting house and market, \$15,000 is allocated for
25 renovation and improvements to the former head start school for use as the Ngiwal Old
26 Age Center, \$10,000 is allocated to support currently ongoing projects of the Ngiwal
27 Women’s Taro Project, and \$5,000 is allocated to replace lighting and fixtures to the
28 Ngiwal public basketball court. The entire amount of the funds authorized and
29 appropriated in this section shall come from local revenues. Any unexpended or

1 unobligated balance of the appropriation of this section shall not lapse at the end of the
2 fiscal year.”

3 Section 14. Amendment. Section 31 of RPPL 9-46 is amended as follows:

4 “Section 31. Peleliu State. The sum of \$55,000 is authorized and appropriated to
5 the Peleliu State Government as requested to fund the construction of a buoy or marker
6 at Sebesb. The entire amount of the funds authorized and appropriated in this section
7 shall come from local revenues.”

8 Section 15. Amendment. Section 35 of RPPL 9-46, as amended by Section 12 of
9 RPPL 9-55, is amended as follows:

10 “Section 35. Peleliu Maritime Transportation Authority. The sum of \$250,000 is
11 authorized and appropriated to the Peleliu Maritime Transportation Authority. The
12 entire amount of the funds authorized and appropriated in this section shall come from
13 local revenues. An additional \$30,000 is authorized and appropriated to the Peleliu
14 Maritime Transportation Authority to subsidize fuel, maintenance and operations. This
15 additional appropriation is non-lapsing and shall be disbursed directly to the Peleliu
16 Maritime Transportation Authority.”

17 Section 16. Amendment. Section 28 of RPPL 9-46 is hereby amended as follows:

18 “Section 28. Ngarchelong State Government. The sum of \$75,000 is authorized
19 for appropriation and is hereby appropriated for expenditure or obligation for Fiscal
20 Year 2016 to the Ngarchelong State Government to construct and improve the access
21 road to Todai. Additionally, the sum of \$50,000 is authorized and appropriated to the
22 Ngarchelong State Government for the purpose of connecting the water system to
23 Delobech water tank. The entire amount of the funds authorized and appropriated in
24 this section shall come from local revenues. Any unexpended or unobligated balance of
25 the appropriation of this section shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year.”

26 Section 17. Amendment. Section 30 of RPPL 9-46 is hereby amended as follows:

27 “Section 30. Kayangel State. The sum of \$15,000 is authorized and appropriated
28 to the Kayangel State Government as requested to subsidize the cost of fuel.
29 Additionally, \$20,000 is authorized and appropriated to the Kayangel State Government
30 for the repair and remodel of Bai ra Ngerbesang in Kayangel State and shall be

1 administered by the Governor of Kayangel and is non-lapsing. The entire amount of the
2 funds authorized and appropriated in this section shall come from local revenues.”

3 Section 18. Amendment. RPPL 9-46 is hereby amended to create a new Section
4 37 as follows:

5 “Section 37. Belau Submarine Cable Corporation (BSCC). The sum of ~~\$302,000~~ ⁻⁰⁻ 
6 is authorized for appropriation and is hereby appropriated for expenditure or
7 obligation for Fiscal Year 2016 for the purpose of funding BSCC’s ongoing operations.
8 The entire amount authorized to be appropriated and appropriated in this section
9 shall come from local revenues.”

10 Section 19. Amendment. RPPL 9-46 is hereby amended to create a new Section
11 38 as follows:

12 “Section 38. CNMI Palauan Community Typhoon Soudelor Assistance. The sum
13 of \$75,000 is authorized for appropriation and is hereby appropriated for expenditure
14 or obligation for Fiscal Year 2016 for the purpose of providing assistance for the CNMI
15 Palauan Community affected by Typhoon *Soudelor*. The entire amount authorized to be
16 appropriated and appropriated in this section shall come from local revenues.”

17 Section 20. Amendment. RPPL 9-46 is hereby amended to create a new Section
18 39 as follows:

19 “Section 39. Cleared Ground Demining Subsidy. The sum of \$50,000 is
20 authorized for appropriation and is hereby appropriated for expenditure or obligation
21 for Fiscal Year 2016 for the purpose of subsidizing the budget of Cleared Ground
22 Demining and shall be used to facilitate the ERW clearance operations in the Republic
23 of Palau. The entire amount authorized to be appropriated and appropriated in this
24 section shall come from local revenues and shall be non-lapsing.”

25 Section 21. Amendment. RPPL 9-46 is hereby amended to add a new section as
26 follows:

27 “Section 40. Aimeliik State. The sum of \$15,000 is authorized and appropriated
28 to the Aimeliik State Government to initiate an environmental impact assessment in
29 which specific environmental mitigation recommendations will be compiled and
30 implemented to improve the existing environmental conditions of the Ngchemiang and

1 Elechui areas to equal or exceed that of the EQPB standards. The entire amount of the
2 funds authorized and appropriated in this section shall come from local revenues. Any
3 unexpended or unobligated balance of the appropriation of this section shall not lapse at
4 the end of the fiscal year.”

5 Section 22. Amendment. RPPL 9-46 is hereby amended to add a new section as
6 follows:

7 “Section 41. Melekeok State. The sum of \$60,000 is authorized and appropriated
8 to the Melekeok State Government for the purpose of renovating the State Office
9 Building. The Governor of Melekeok shall administer the funds for these purposes. The
10 entire amount of the funds authorized and appropriated in this section shall come from
11 local revenues. Any unexpended or unobligated balance of the appropriation of this
12 section shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal year.”

13 Section 23. Amendment. RPPL 9-46 is hereby amended to add a new section as
14 follows:

15 “Section 42. Ngardmau State. The sum of \$50,000 is authorized and
16 appropriated to the Ngardmau State Government for the improvement of the
17 Ngardmau dock damaged by Typhoon Bopha. The entire amount of the funds
18 authorized and appropriated in this section shall come from local revenues and shall be
19 non-lapsing.”

20 Section 24. Amendment. RPPL 9-46 is hereby amended to add a new section as
21 follows:

22 “Section 43. Ngeremlengui State. The sum of \$25,000 is authorized and
23 appropriated to the Ngeremlengui State Government for the renovation of the Old Age
24 Center. The entire amount of the funds authorized and appropriated in this section shall
25 come from local revenues and shall be non-lapsing.”

26 Section 25. Amendment. RPPL 9-46 is hereby amended to add a new section as
27 follows:

28 “Section 44. Mesei Rescue Project. The sum of \$25,000 is authorized and
29 appropriated to the Mesei Rescue Project. The project will involve 40 women from the
30 States of Angaur, Melekeok, Ngarchelong and Ngeremlengui. The food security

1 program this project concerns includes but is not limited to taro patches devastated by
2 Typhoon Bopha. The Governor of Angaur will administer the funds in this
3 appropriation, which are non-lapsing.”

4 Section 26. Amendment. RPPL 9-46 is hereby amended to add a new section as
5 follows:

6 “Section 44. Appropriation. There is hereby authorized and appropriated the
7 sum of \$25,000.00 to be set aside within the Ministry of Finance from which the legal
8 fees and expenses incurred by the ROP-Vice President and Minister of Justice in
9 defending himself against criminal charges in Criminal Case No. 15-146 brought by the
10 Interim Special Prosecutor. This sum shall be paid upon submission of the invoice of his
11 legal fees, costs and expenses, not to exceed \$25,000.00. This appropriation is warranted
12 to ensure that legal fees, costs and expenses, which were incurred by the Vice-President
13 and Minister of Justice, while acting lawfully in his official capacity and in the course
14 and scope of his authority, are borne by the Republic of Palau.”

15 Section 27. Continuing Budget Authority.

16 (a) Pursuant to 40 PNC § 327, continuing budget authority for Fiscal Year 2017
17 is hereby enacted for all regular budget activities for operations of the national
18 government. This continuing budget authority shall provide funding at the level of
19 appropriations of Fiscal Year 2016 as enacted in RPPL 9-46, as amended by RPPL 9-55.

20 (b) This continuing budget authority only applies to those appropriations made
21 to the national government and not to any grants to state governments. Any
22 appropriations to state government, including Sections 6, 24 through 31, and 35 as
23 amended, of RPPL 9-46, and all state government appropriations in this Act, are not
24 subject to continued funding under this Section.

25 (c) This continuing budget authority shall begin on October 1, 2016.

26 Section 28. Repealer. 13 PNC § 1007, as amended by RPPL 9-49, is hereby
27 repealed in its entirety.

28 Section 29. Amendment. Amend 13 PNC § 1002 to restore its original language
29 prior to its amendment by RPPL 9-49:

30 “§ 1002. Entry permits; required; issuance.

1 (a) No person, vessel or aircraft, unless specifically exempted by applicable law
2 and regulations, shall enter the Republic without having been issued an appropriate
3 entry permit.

4 (b) Entry permits to visit or reside in the Republic shall be issued in accordance
5 with this title and regulations issued pursuant thereto by the President.

6 (c) Entry may be issued in conjunction with a nonresident worker's identification
7 certificate issued under the provisions of this chapter. Entry permits issued under the
8 provisions of this subsection shall carry the notation that they are issued in conjunction
9 with a nonresident workers' identification certificate, and shall expire upon the date on
10 which such nonresident workers' identification certificate expires.

11 (d) Provisions of law and regulations implementing this section may, pursuant to
12 article 3, paragraph 1 of the trusteeship agreement for the former Japanese Mandated
13 Islands, accord the United States citizens and nationals treatment more favorable than is
14 accorded persons other than United States citizens and nationals."

15 Section 30. Amendment. Amend Section 7 of RPPL 9-49 as follows:

16 "Section 7. Task Force on Visitor Fee Collection.

17 ...

18 (c) The Task Force shall promulgate regulations establishing a systematic and
19 customer-friendly process for the payment of Environmental Impact Fees pursuant to
20 40 PNC Chapter 27.

21 (d) The Task Force shall promulgate regulations implementing this section by
22 April 1, 2017. If the Task Force has not promulgated regulations by this date then the
23 Environmental Impact Fee will be collected immediately upon entry into the Republic
24 until the Task Force promulgates regulations in accordance with this section. The
25 Minister of Finance shall be responsible for promulgating any subsequent amendments
26 to the Task Force's regulations."

27 Section 31. Amendment. Amend 41 PNC § 753 as follows:

28 "§ 753. Old age insurance benefit.

29 (a) A person who is fully insured and has attained the age of sixty (60) years and
30 retired is entitled to a monthly old age insurance benefit, beginning with the month in

1 which that person became so entitled and ending with the month preceding the month in
2 which he dies, subject to the earnings test. A person who attains the age of sixty and
3 retires prior to attaining the age at which that person becomes entitled to a monthly old
4 age insurance benefit under this Section shall receive a monthly old age insurance
5 benefit that is reduced by six percent (6%) for each year remaining before the person
6 attains the age of entitlement.

7 ...”

8 Section 32. Amendment. Amend 41 PNC § 755 as follows:

9 “§ 755. Surviving spouse’s insurance benefit.

10 ...

11 (b) The monthly amount of the benefit is sixty percent (60%) of the basic benefit
12 applicable to the deceased wage earner at the time of his or her death if the surviving
13 spouse is under the age of sixty (60) and is unmarried. The monthly amount of the
14 benefit is one hundred percent (100%) if the surviving spouse is at least sixty (60) and
15 unmarried.

16 ...”

17 Section 33. Amendment. Amend Section 2(7) of RPPL 9-34, as amended by 9-44,
18 as follows:

19 “(7) Ministry of Public Infrastructure, Industries and Commerce

20 ...

21 (h) Bureau of Public Works 1,329,000

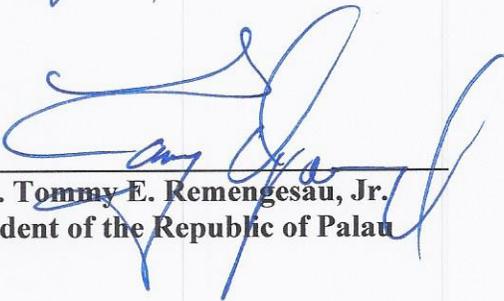
22 Of this sum, the amount of \$3,000 is hereby earmarked for a safety
23 officer for the Bureau of Public Works. The amount of \$60,000 is
24 hereby earmarked for the purpose of repairing and remodeling the
25 Bai ra Ngerbesang in Kayangel State which was destroyed by
26 Typhoon Haiyan in November 2013. This amount of \$60,000 shall
27 be administered by the Governor of Kayangel State and any
28 unexpended or unobligated balance of this amount shall not lapse
29 at the end of Fiscal Year 2016.

30 ...”

1 Section 34. Effective Date. This Act shall take effect upon its approval by the
2 President of the Republic of Palau or upon becoming law without such approval, except
3 as otherwise provided by law.

PASSED: June 24, 2016

Approved this 11th day of July, 2016



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