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PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION NO. 24-370

Declaring the week of May 12 to 18, 2024, as "National Police Week" in recognition of the men and women who put their welfare on the line every day to protect our communities.

WHEREAS, the police community comprises dedicated men and women who make up the backbone of our law enforcement; and

WHEREAS, designating a National Police Week allows us to honor and pledge support for the work they do to keep us and our families secure in our homes and properties; and

WHEREAS, National Police Week also provides us citizens the opportunity to gather and pay homage to those who gave their lives in the line of duty; and

WHEREAS, our law enforcement officers play a vital role in ensuring the safety and security of the Republic of Palau by safeguarding our communities and preserving the public peace; and

WHEREAS, our law enforcement officers work tirelessly and serve devotedly to ensure our island nation is protected while exposing themselves to the risk of injury or worse; and

WHEREAS, the peace and safety we enjoy comes at the cost and sacrifice of our law enforcement officers, and as a nation we must come together to recognize and honor the work of these brave and dedicated men and women; and

WHEREAS, it is important for all Palauan citizens and residents to understand and appreciate the duties, responsibilities and challenges of law enforcement officers, and to do their part to support their efforts to serve the people of the Republic of Palau; and

WHEREAS, the government of the Republic of Palau wishes to express its deep respect and appreciation for law enforcement officers who serve, who have passed, or been disabled in the line of duty and who have retired from service, and to convey the appreciation of a grateful nation for such service; and

WHEREAS, National Police Week is an annual event to commemorate and recognize the work of our police officers, and celebrate our men and women in blue for their commitment to public service;



NOW THEREFORE, I, Surangel S. Whipps, Jr., President of the Republic of Palau, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the constitution and laws of the Republic of Palau, do hereby proclaim May 12 to 18, 2024, as "National Police Week."

SO PROCLAIMED this _____ day of May, 2024 at Ngerulmud, Republic of Palau.

Surangel S. Whipps, Jr.

President of the Republic of Palau