EIGHTH KOROR STATE LEGISLATURE

Eighth Regular Session, November 2009

KSPL NO.: K8-211-2009

(Intro as Bill No.: <u>08-37, LD1</u>)

AN ACT

To amend Section "3.A.(2)" of KSPL NO. K6-110-00 to allow clearing of mangroves for residential use rights, and for related purposes.

THE PEOPLE OF KOROR REPRESENTED IN THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF KOROR DO ENACT AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. FINDING

The Eighth Koror State Legislature hereby finds that there is a shortage of residential lands in the State of Koror, and that Koror State Government may alleviate such a shortage by clearing or destruction of mangroves and other vegetation below the high water mark, with certain expectations for the public benefit. The Legislature hereby finds that it is in the best interest of the people of the State of Koror and for the public benefit to allow limited clearing of vegetation for residential use rights.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT OF SECTION "3.A.(2)" OF KOROR STATE PUBLIC LAW NUMBER K6-110-00 TO ALLOW CLEARING OF MANGROVES FOR RESIDENTIAL SUBMERGED LAND USE RIGHT

Section "3.A.(2)" of KSPL No. K6-110-00 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"(2) The prohibition against cutting and/or harvesting shall not pertain to state or national development designed to benefit the public, such as public roads or existing docks, power, water or sewer lines, sewage treatment systems, submerged land use rights granted by Koror State for residential purposes, to clear existing mangrove channels (*taoch*) with written permission from Koror State, and similar developments designed to benefit the people of Koror and the Republic of Palau."

SECTION 3. SEVERABILITY.

The provisions of this Act are severable. If any part or portion of this Act is held to be invalid or unenforceable, then the offending portions may be stricken and the

Page 1 of 2 remaining portions shall continue in full force and effect.

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1 SECTION .. EFFECTIVE DATE. 2 This Act shall become effective upon its becoming law of the state of Koror by 3 operation of the Koror State Constitution. PASSED ON: NOVEMBER 3, 2009 CERTIFIED BY: ATTESTED TO BY:

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Rena Iluches

Eighth Koror State Legislature

Clerk

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Timothy "Tero" Uehara

Eighth Koror State Legislature

Speaker

APPROVED ON THIS 12th DAY OF December, 2009

Governor State of Koror

Yositaka Adachi