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## ENACT

To appropriate the sum of \$250,000.00 for the purpose of constructing a new Bai ra Metal at the site of the old Bai ra Metal in Medalaii, State of Koror.

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

SECTION 1. FINDINGS. The Third Koror State Legislature finds that since the destruction of the old Bai ra Metal in Medalaii, the Ngarametal have not had a location to conduct traditional activities and meetings, and the State of Koror does not currently have a community center for cultural or other traditional events.

The Legislature further finds that the Ngarametal is a recognized traditional men's organization of Koror State that have been actively participating in many cultural and traditional functions in the long history of Koror, and also a duly recognized entity charged with the responsibility to provide security and to perform other essential duties and services for Koror and its citizens;

The Legislature further finds that the Ngarametal have long awaited the opportunity to rebuild its central headquarters or Abai in order to effectively carry out and implement its duties and functions and also to pursue other objectives in conformity with the concept behind its traditional structure, social status and function;

The Legislature further finds that the Ngarametal has a secured location and building plans for the proposed facility.

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION. There is hereby appropriated the sum of \$250,000.00 (Two-hundred, fifty thousand dollars) for the purpose of constructing the Bai ra Metal. No funds may be disbursed under this act unless disbursed pursuant to a lawful contract entered into after public bidding, as may be required under 40 PNC 402 and 403, as amended by RPPL No. 3-11. All appropriations shall be made pursuant to the terms of such lawful contract, and shall be paid from the Koror State Treasury to such lawful contractor. SECTION 3. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION. The new Bai ra Metal shall be located at the site of the old Bai ra Metal in Medalaii. The design shall be in accordance with plans and designs obtained by the Ngarametal, and as submitted for public bidding. The Bai ra Metal shall be used for the conduct of Ngarametal functions and programs and other activities that the Ngarametal deem appropriate for other purposes. The Bai ra Metal shall be managed and operated under exclusive control of the Ngarametal of the State of Koror. Any Business Agreement or contract entered into by the Ngarametal and another party regarding the operation or management of the Bai, must first obtain approval of the Koror State Legislature and the House of Traditional Leaders by a Resolution. Koror State Government shall be entitled to profit sharing from all proceeds of Bai ra Metal operation. The net profit of Bai ra Metal operation shall be disbursed as follows:

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(a) 20% of the net profit shall be-paid to Koror: State Treasury until the entire appropriated amount for Bai ra Metal is paid. Koror State Government shall have the right, upon 30 days advance notice, to inspect and audit Bai ra Metal operation records for the purpose of determining and enforcing the collection of money owed to it.

(b) 80% of the net profit shall be deposited into the Ngarametal bank account to be expended according to its rules and by-laws.

In the event that Koror State Government or other legitimate Koror traditional Eldebechel desire to use the facility, then they shall not pay any rent, license, charge, fee, or any other cost for such except for such food or beverages or other goods and services as may be provided by the Ngarametal or any other appropriate group that provides such goods or services.

SECTION 4. PUBLIC BIDDING AND CONSTRUCTION. Public bidding conducted pursuant to 40 PNC 402 and 403, as amended by RPPL No. 3-11, shall follow such procedures and use such forms as prescribed by law. The plans and specifications for construction shall be made available to all public bidders, at their expense. The State Executive Administrator or his representative shall be responsible for following the proper bidding procedures and construction of such facility specified in the plans and specifications and under the laws of Palau.

SECTION 5. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act shall become effective upon approval by the House of Traditional Leaders, or by operation of law, whichever occurs first.

PASSED ON: August 04, 1992

CERTIFIED BY:

ATTESTED TO BY:

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Roma Yano, Speaker

Rena Iluches, Clerk

APPROVED THIS <u>11<sup>th</sup></u> DAY OF <u>August</u> 1992.

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Ibedul Yutaka M. Gibbons High Chief Koror State