

A BILL FOR AN ACT

To design and adopt an official flag for the State of Koror.

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

SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE PURPOSE. The purpose of this Act. is to provide a procedure for the creation and adoption of an official flag, an official anthem and an official flower for the State of Koror.

SECTION 2. COMMISSION. There is hereby created a Koror State Commission on Insignia.

(a) The function of the Commission is to receive proposals from members of the public with respect to a State flag, a State anthem and a State flower, to select from among such proposals a preferred alternative and to adopt such alternative.

(b) Membership. The members of the Commission shall be as follows:

- i. One member appointed by the Koror State Legislature.
- ii. One member appointed by the Koror State House of Traditional Leaders.
- iii. One member appointed by the Koror State Executive Administrator.
- iv. One member appointed by the Ngarametal.
- v. One member appointed by the Maiberel.
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(c) Compensation. Members of the Commission shall not be compensated.

(d) Life of Commission. The life of the Commission shall terminate, and the term of its members shall expire on November 21, 1994.

SECTION 3. PROCEDURE.

(a) The Commission shall issue a Request for Proposals for a proposed flag, a proposed anthem and a proposed flower no later than September 15, 1994. Such Request shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation and shall be posted in a conspicuous public place in the Palau Post Office.

(b) The deadline for the receipt of such Proposals shall be October 15, 1994. Proposals may be considered only if submitted by a voter registered in Koror State or such voter's dependents. Each Proposal shall be submitted in a sealed envelope.

(c) Form of Proposals:

- i. Flag. Proposals for the State Flag may be submitted in either cloth or paper format. Proposals on paper shall be prepared in color. Each proposal shall be accompanied by a written explanation setting forth the symbolic significance of each color utilized and each object depicted.
- ii. Anthem. Proposals for the State Anthem shall be submitted in both song (or choral) format and as written text. The song or choral version of the Anthem shall be submitted on magnetic tape and shall not exceed three minutes in duration.
- iii. Flower. Proposals for the State Flower shall be submitted in photographic form, such photograph to be of dimensions no less than five inches by seven inches (5"x7"). Proposals shall include a written explanation for the basis of the selection.

(d) The Commission shall consider such Proposals and may, but need not, hold a Public Hearing to receive public testimony with respect to three, and only three, preferred choices for each of the Flag, the Anthem and the Flower. Such Public Hearing shall be held no later than November 1, 1994. The Commission shall designate the three preferred choices for each of the flag, the anthem and the flower not less than 48 hours prior to the Public Hearing, if such Public Hearing is held.

(e) Subsequent to the Public Hearing, if any, the Commission shall, at its sole discretion, select and adopt a State Flag, a State Anthem and a State Flower. Such Final selection shall occur not later than November 20, 1994.

(f) The selections of the Commission shall be announced on November 21, 1994. The proponent of each of the Flag, the Anthem and the Flower adopted by the commission shall receive an award of \$500.00.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Act shall take effect immediately upon approval by the House of Traditional Leaders or upon- its becoming law without such approval.

DATE PASSED: August 11, 1994

CERTIFIED BY: /s/ _____
Salvador Tellames
Speaker

ATTESTED TO BY: /s/ _____
Lydia W. Ngirmeriil
Clerk

APPROVED ON THIS 6th DAY OF September 1994.

/s/ _____
Ibedul Yutaka M. Gibbons, High Chief