# KOROR STATE COUNCIL OFFICE OF THE MAYOR P.O. BOX 116 KOROR, REPUBLIC OF PALAU 96940

KOROR STATE COUNCIL

ORDINANCE NO. K-11-83

## An Ordinance

To provide for the election of the Legislature of the State of Koror.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE KOROR STATE COUNCIL THAT:

#### Section 1. Date and Time of Election:

There shall be an election for members of the Legislature of the State of Koror, to be held on Wednesday, September 7, 1983 between the hours of 7:00 A.M. and 7:00 P.M.

Section 2. Polling Places:

A polling place shall be established at each hamlet by the Koror State Election Commission.

### Section 3. Qualifications of Members of the Legislature:

A person shall be eligible to be elected as a member of the Legislature if he:

- a. Is a person of Koror as defined in the Koror State Constitution;
- b. Is a registered voter of the State of Koror;

c. Is at least twenty-five (25) years of age; and

d. Has resided in the State of Koror for at least two (2) years preceding the election.

Section 4. Nominating Petitions:

- (1) Nomination of candidates to the Legislature may be made by petition initiated by the candidate and signed by any five (5) qualified registered voters of the voting jurisdiction of the seat sought. Such petition shall specify whether the candidate seeks to represent a specific hamlet or to run at-large within Koror State. Petitioners shall both sign and print their name on the petition.
- (2) The petition, duly signed, shall be presented to the Koror State Registrar, who shall verify the signatures of the petitions and notify the candidate within 24 hours of receiving the petition that the petition has been duly certified to the Koror State Election Commission or that certification has been denied.

- (3) Nothing contained in this Section shall prohibit a person from seeking office as a write-in candidate, except a name written upon a ballot in a run-off election shall not be counted as a vote.
- (4) Petitions must be presented to the Koror State Registrar no later than 4:30 P.M., August 17, 1983.

Section 5. Election Procedures:

- (1) Pursuant to Title 43 of the Trust Territory Code, Palau District Code, and the First Provisional Constitution of the State of Koror, the Koror State Election Commission shall in conjunction with the Koror State Government and the National Election Commission promulgate Voting Instructions and Procedures.
- (2) The Koror State Election Commission shall certify the result of the election within five (5) days of the date of the election. The results of the election shall be certified in accordance with law. A candidate shall be elected upon receiving a plurality of the votes. In case of a tie in the election, the winner shall be determined in a run-off election, proclaimed by the Koror State Election Commission, between the candidates so tied. A run-off election shall occur no later than fourteen (14) days after the results of the election have been certified. The Koror State Election Commission shall certify the results of a run-off election within five (5) days of the date of the run-off election, and any run-off election shall be certified in accordance with law.

Section 6. Salaries of Members of the Legislature:

All members of the Legislature shall receive a monthly honorarium of \$200.00. An additional \$5.00 will be provided to each member of the Legislature for each day when attending Legislative sessions.

Section 7. Repealer:

Article II, Section 4 of Koror State Ordinance No. 106-58 (6-58) as amended by Ordinance No. 135-67 (34-67), Ordinance No. 137-67 (36-67) and Ordinance No. 143-68 (41-68) is hereby repealed and any other ordinances and provisions of law which conflict with this ordinance shall be deemed superceded and void to the extent of the conflict.

### Section 8. Effective Date:

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its approval by the

President of the Republic of Palau or its becoming law without such approval.

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Passed by the Koror State Council on the Ist day of August 1983.

Certified by:/s/ Ibedul Y. M. Gibbons Mayor, Koror State

APPROVED THIS <u> $10^{\text{th}}$ </u> DAY OF <u>August</u> 1983.

/s/

Haruo I. Remeliik President Republic of Palau