

NITIJELA OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS

24<sup>th</sup> CONSTITUTIONAL REGULAR SESSION, 2003

BILL NO:159ND1

P.L. 2003-99

AN ACT

1 to amend the Schedule to the Public Holidays Act 1988, re-naming the March 1<sup>st</sup> holiday  
2 and to insert additional provisions to require that the Republic of the Marshall Islands national  
3 flag be hoisted at half-staff on March 1<sup>st</sup> in observance of the holiday.  
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5 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE NITIJELA OF THE MARSHALL ISLANDS**

6 **Section 1. Short Title**

7 This Act may be cited as the Public Holidays (March 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment) Act, 2003.

8 **Section 2. Amendment**

9 The Public Holiday's Act, 1988 is hereby amended in the following manner;

10 (1) By inserting a new section 908 to read as follows;

11 **§908 Memorial Day and Nuclear Survivors Remembrance Day**  
12 **Holiday**

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14 In commemoration of, and as a tribute to all those who suffered and  
15 continue to suffer as a result of the United States Nuclear Testing Program in the  
16 Marshall Islands at the end of World War II, the national flag shall be flown at  
17 half-staff on March 1<sup>st</sup> each year to coincide with the Memorial Day and Nuclear  
18 Survivors Remembrance Day holiday.

19 (2) By amending the Schedule to the Public Holidays Act, 1988, setting out the annual  
20 holidays in the Republic, by renaming the March 1<sup>st</sup> holiday in the following manner;  
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1 the Constitution of the Republic and the Rules of Procedures of the Nitijela.

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3 CERTIFICATE

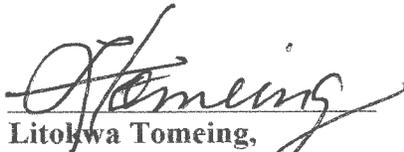
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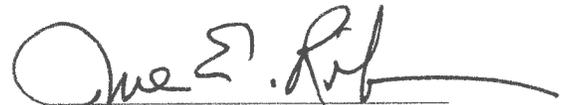
5 (1) that Nitijela Bill No. 159<sup>ND-1</sup> was passed by the Nitijela of the Marshall Islands on the  
6 30<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2003; and

7 (2) that I am satisfied that Nitijela Bill No. 159<sup>ND-1</sup> was passed in accordance with the  
8 relevant provisions of the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Rules of  
9 Procedures of the Nitijela .

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11 I hereby place my signature before the Clerk of the Nitijela this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December,  
12 2003.

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14 Attest:

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17 Litolywa Tomeing,  
18 Speaker,  
19 Nitijela of the Marshall Islands

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22 Joe E Riklon  
23 Clerk,  
24 Nitijela of the Marshall Islands  
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6 **AN ACT**

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8 To provide for the implementation of the Compact of Free Association, as Amended, by  
9 giving it the force and effect of law.

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11 **§ 1. Short title.**

12 This Act may be cited as the Compact of Free Association, as Amended  
13 Implementation) Act, 2003.

14 **§ 2. Interpretation.**

15 In this Act, “the Compact, as Amended” means the Compact of Free Association,  
16 as Amended concluded with Government of the United States on April 30, 2003.

17 **§3. Implementation of the Compact, as Amended.**

18 (1) Subject to the provisions of the Compact of Free Association, as  
19 Amended Resolution 2003, and this Act, the Compact of Free Association, as  
20 Amended shall have the force and effect of law as if enacted by the Nitijela .

21 (2) The Compact, as Amended shall be construed and applied in a manner  
22 consistent with the provisions of the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall  
23 Islands and the Compact of Free Association, as Amended Resolution, 2003.

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25 **§5. Effective Date.**

26 This Act shall come into effect on the effective date of the Compact, as Amended,  
27 as mutually agreed between the Government of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and  
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2 the Government of the United States pursuant to section 411 of Article I of Title Four of  
3 the Compact as Amended.  
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5 **CERTIFICATE**

6 **I hereby certify:**

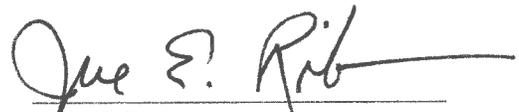
7 (1) that the above Nitijela Bill No. 160<sup>N.O.1</sup> was passed by the Nitijela of the  
8 Marshall Islands on the 29<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2003; and

9 (2) that I am also satisfied that Nitijela Bill No. 160<sup>N.O.1</sup> was passed in  
10 accordance with the Constitution of the Republic of the Marshall Islands and the Rules of  
11 Procedures of the Nitijela.

12 I hereby place my signature before the Clerk of the Nitijela this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of  
13 December, 2003.

14 **Attest:**

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18 **Litokwa Tomeing,**  
19 **Speaker**  
20 **Nitijela of the Marshall Islands**  
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**Joe E Riklon**  
**Clerk,**  
**Nitijela of the Marshall Islands**