



*The President*  
*Palikir, Pohnpei*  
*Federated States of Micronesia*

PRESIDENTIAL PROCLAMATION  
HALF MAST DISPLAY OF THE FSM FLAG  
AND STATE FUNERAL  
IN HONOR OF CHIEF JUSTICE MARTIN G. YINUG

WHEREAS, it is with deep sadness that I announce officially the untimely passing of the Honorable Martin G. Yinug, former Chief Justice of the Federated States of Micronesia on August 31, 2014.

WHEREAS, the late Chief Justice Martin G. Yinug is the second Micronesian to head the Judiciary Branch of the FSM Government when he became the Chief Justice of the FSM Supreme Court on May 5, 2011, and has been known as a distinguished, devoted and respected public servant.

WHEREAS, the late Chief Justice, Martin G. Yinug began his years of service for the people of Micronesia when he served as an Administrative Assistant with the Yap Delegation for the Congress of Micronesia in 1972 through 1976. He served as the Directing Attorney for the Micronesia Legal Services Corporation, Yap Branch Office from 1980 through 1982, and became the legislative counsel for the Yap State Legislature from 1982 through 1988. In 1988, he became an Associate Justice of the Yap State Court where he served for four years. In 1992, he became an Associate Justice of the FSM Supreme Court until he became Acting Chief Justice in 2010 through 2011.


WHEREAS, the late Chief Justice, Martin G. Yinug was among the first Micronesians to assume challenging posts with the TTPI government and in the Judicial realm in the Pacific. He served as the Interpreter for the Micronesian Constitutional Convention in Saipan, Marianas Islands in 1975 and was the Floor Leader for the Yap Constitutional Convention in Colonia, Yap. Later on, he served as the Floor Leader and Chairman, Committee on Style and Arrangements for the second FSM Constitutional Convention in Palikir, Pohnpei. Among his peer Chief Justices and Justices in the Pacific region, the late Chief Justice, Martin G. Yinug was a distinguished, well respected leader who also served as the President of the Pacific Judicial Council, Hagatna, Guam, in January 2014.

WHEREAS, this Proclamation bears heartfelt condolences of the people of the entire nation to the family, relatives and friends of the late Martin G. Yinug as we all join in these depressing hours of grief. The Judiciary, Leaders, citizens and his fellow professionals will forever remember Martin G. Yinug's tremendous accomplishments in service to this nation.

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NOW THEREFORE, I, Manny Mori, President of the Federated States of Micronesia, hereby proclaim a national mourning period in honor of the late Chief Justice Martin G. Yinug commencing on September 3, 2014, until the State Funeral of the late Chief Justice. The National Flag of the Federated States of Micronesia shall be displayed at half-mast for 4 consecutive days following this official proclamation. The date and details for the State Funeral will be announced once available.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have set my hand and affix my signature hereto this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of September 2014.

  
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President