FORM OF ADDRESS FOR WOMAN ACT, B.E. 2551 (2008)

BHUMIBOL ADULYADEJ, REX.

Given on the 31st Day of January B.E. 2551;
Being the 63rd Year of the Present Reign

His Majesty King Bhumibol Adulyadej is graciously pleased to proclaim that:
Whereas it is expedient to have a law on form of address for woman;
This Act contains certain provisions in relation to the restriction of right and liberty of person, in respect of which Section 29 in conjunction with Section 32 of the Constitution of the Kingdom of Thailand, so permit by virtue of law;
Be it, therefore, enacted by the King, by and with the advice and consent of the National Assembly, as follows:

Section 1
This Act is called the “Form of Address for Woman Act, B.E. 2551 (2008)”.

Section 2
This Act shall come into force at the expiration of one hundred and twenty days as from the date of its publication in the Government Gazette.

Section 3
This Act shall not prejudice to the use of any form of address for woman as prescribed by law.

Section 4
A woman at the completion of 15 years of age who has not had marriage registration shall address “Nangsao (Miss)” before her given name.

Section 5
A woman who has marriage registration shall select to address “Nang (Missis)” or “Nangsao (Miss)”, at her pleasure, before her given name and shall notify her selection to the registrar under the law on family registration.

Section 6
If marriage registration of a woman is revoked, that woman shall select to address “Nang” or “Nangsao (Miss)”, at her pleasure, before her given name and shall notify her selection to the registrar under the law on family registration.

Section 7
The Minister of Interior, the Minister of Foreign Affairs and the Minister of Social Development and Human Security shall have charge and control of the execution of this Act.

Countersigned by General Surayud Chulanont as Prime Minister

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