

L A C A Ñ A M E N T O
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 142

DECLARING THE PERIOD FROM AUGUST 24, 1987, AND EVERY YEAR THEREAFTER AS "NATIONAL COCONUT WEEK".

WHEREAS, the coconut industry has risen to an immense national magnitude and view of its importance to the national economy as well as socio-economic life of one-third of our population are directly and indirectly dependent on the industry and source of livelihood;

WHEREAS, it is not fitting that the sections involved in the coconut industry from the farmers, workers, processors, traders and industrialists to the policy-makers collectively pay tribute of honor and recognition for the blessings and profits derived from the industry and to establish a commemorative day giving for its lasting importance and

WHEREAS, the month of August, being the peak season for coconut, is the appropriate time to commemorate its sustaining existence;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORAZON C. AQUINO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby declare August 24, 1987 and every year thereafter, as the NATIONAL COCONUT WEEK under the auspices of the Philippine Coconut Authority.

Done in the City of Manila, on the 14th day of August, 1987, at the Malacañan Palace, Manila, Philippines, the nineteenth day of August, 1987.

(SGD) CORAZON C. AQUINO
President of the Philippines

By the President:

(SGD) JOKER P. ARMA
Executive Secretary