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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 265

DECLARING MS. LUCRECIA REYES URTULA AND COL. ANTONIO BUENAVENTURA AS NATIONAL ARTISTS

WHEREAS, the Constitution provides for State patronage of the arts and letters;

WHEREAS, the category known as National Artist was created under Proclamation No. 1001, dated April 27, 1972, and since then, nineteen artists have been proclaimed, each one having produced a body of works that has enhanced the Filipino's cultural heritage;

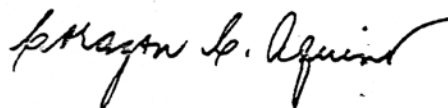
WHEREAS, such preeminent achievements deserve the recognition and acknowledgment of our Government in pursuit of its policy of preserving and developing Filipino culture and a national identity; and

WHEREAS, the works and achievements of Ms. Lucrecia R. Urtula and Col. Antonio Buenaventura are reflective of this preeminent excellence, and of that national genius that contributes to the artistic heritage of the Philippines and the world;


NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORAZON C. AQUINO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, and upon recommendation of the Board of Trustees, and the Management and Artistic Consultative Board of the Cultural Center of the Philippines, and the Presidential Commission on Culture and the Arts, and pursuant to Proclamation No. 1001, do hereby declare Ms. Lucrecia Reyes Urtula and Col. Antonio Buenaventura as National Artists.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines, to be affixed.

Done in the City of Manila, this 6th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty-eight.



By the President:



CATALINO MACARAIG, JR.
Executive Secretary