

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 291

DECLARING THE PERIOD FROM 29 AUGUST TO 4 SEPTEMBER OF EVERY YEAR AS "HUMAN SURVIVAL: POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT WEEK".

WHEREAS, Section 9, Article II, of the Constitution provides that "The State shall promote a just and dynamic social order that will ensure the prosperity and independence of the nation and free the people from poverty through policies that provide adequate social services, promote full employment, a rising standard of living and an improved quality of life for all";

WHEREAS, the Filipino nation now at the crossroads of history faces great problems as it adjusts its goals, approaches and institutions toward national reconstruction, recovery and human progress;

WHEREAS, these problems threaten the day by day survival of the most vulnerable among our population - the large number of women and children that would be denied of their human right to health care, nutrition, knowledge and education, and better access to economic and social opportunities;

WHEREAS, underscoring these problems is the pace of our population growth and that of our capability to provide for our women and children which depends to a large measure on how we meet our population challenge; and

WHEREAS, there is need to promote greater national concern and responsibility to avoid the human suffering and damage brought about by these problems;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORAZON C. AQUINO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the period from 29 August to 4 September of every year as "Human Survival: Population and Development Week", under the auspices of the Population Commission and other involved organizations.

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Human Survival: Population
and Development Week

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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 20th day of
July, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and
eighty eight.

Corason B. Aquino

By the President:

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Executive Secretary

