

MALACAÑANG  
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 473

DECLARING OCTOBER 12, 1989, AS THE "NATIONAL BREASTFEEDING DAY"

WHEREAS, Breastfeeding is a God-given natural resource to nurture life;

WHEREAS, Breastfeeding responds to the right of every child and pregnant and lactating mother to be adequately nourished as a means of attaining and maintaining health;

WHEREAS, Breastfeeding is unequalled in providing ideal food for the health growth and development of infants, and in building a unique biological and emotional basis for the health of both mother and child;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORAZON C. AQUINO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare October 12, 1989 as the "National Breastfeeding Day".

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 3rd day of October, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty-nine.

*Corazon C. Aquino*

By the President:

*Catalino Macaraig, Jr.*  
CATALINO MACARAIG, JR.  
Executive Secretary

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