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MALACAÑANG Manila

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO 811

DECLARING THURSDAY, JULY 4 1996, AS A SPECIAL DAY THROUGH-
OUT THE COUNTRY

WHEREAS, July 4, 1996 marks the 50th Anniversary of the Philippine-American Friendship Day which ushered the beginning of Philippine political independence from the American colonial rule;

WHEREAS, this milestone in Philippine history must be appropriately observed to promote and preserve the spirit of freedom, independence, nationalism and love of country and appreciate the contribution and sacrifice of war veterans in our pursuit of sovereignty;

WHEREAS, the event can serve as an occasion to rekindle Philippine-American friendship and chart a new course of relationship with the United States; and

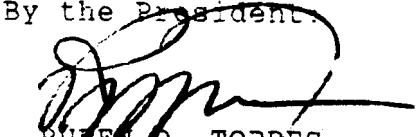
WHEREAS, the Filipino people should be given full opportunity to join in the activities to commemorate this historic moment in Philippine history.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by Book I, Chapter 7, Section 27, of the Administrative Code of 1987, do hereby declare Thursday, July 4, 1996, as a special day throughout the country.

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 17th day of June in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety six.



By the President

RUBEN D. TORRES
Executive Secretary


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