

MALACAÑANG
Manila

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 1703

**DECLARING FRIDAY, JANUARY 16, 2009, AS SPECIAL (NON-
WORKING) DAY IN BATANGAS CITY**

WHEREAS, the City of Batangas celebrates its city fiesta in honor of its patron saint, Sto. Niño on Friday, January 16, 2009;

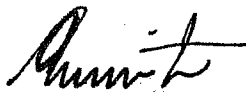
WHEREAS, it is but fitting and proper that the people of the City of Batangas, be given full opportunity to celebrate the occasion with appropriate ceremonies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDUARDO R. ERMITA, Executive Secretary, by authority of Her Excellency, **GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO**, do hereby declare Friday, January 16, 2009, as special (non-working) day in Batangas City.

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 9th day of January, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.

By authority of the President:


EDUARDO R. ERMITA
Executive Secretary

By the Executive Secretary:


JOAQUIN C. LAGONERA
Senior Deputy Executive Secretary