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#### BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

#### **EXECUTIVE ORDER NO.** 246

# DESIGNATING CALAMBA CITY AS REGIONAL CENTER OF REGION IV-A (CALABARZON)

**WHEREAS,** Executive Order No. 103 dated May 17, 2003, divided Region IV into IV-A (CALABARZON) and IV-B (MIMAROPA) and transferred Aurora Province to Region III;

**WHEREAS**, the Regional Development Council IV-A affirmed the choice of Calamba City as the site of the regional center for Region IV-A having been established as a center of industrial development and urban activities; and

**WHEREAS**, the establishment of Calamba City as regional center will foster better coordination and promote efficiency in the discharge of functions between and among agencies operating in the CALABARZON area.

- **NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO**, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:
- **SECTION 1**. Calamba City is hereby designated as the regional center of Region IV-A (CALABARZON).
- **SEC. 2.** The Regional Development Council of Region IV-A shall immediately undertake necessary steps for the site development of the CALABARZON regional center in Calamba City.
- **SEC. 3.** All national line agencies shall locate their regional offices in Calamba City as soon as possible and provide the necessary budgetary and other requirements for this purpose.
- **SEC. 4**. All orders, rules, regulations and issuances, or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Executive Order, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.
  - **SEC. 5**. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

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**DONE** in the City of Manila, this **28**th day of **October** , in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

By the President:

ALBERTO G. ROMULO

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Executive Secretary

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