## BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

## MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 302

## CREATING A COMMITTEE HEADED BY THE NATIONAL HISTORICAL INSTITUTE FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NATIONAL MONUMENT FOR FORMER PRESIDENT CORAZON C. AQUINO

**WHEREAS**, the 1986 "People Power Revolution" was a milestone in the history of the Filipino people, as it was also a catalyst in the struggles of other freedom-loving peoples in the different parts of the world;

**WHEREAS**, former President Corazon C. Aquino was the inspiration, rallying point and fitting symbol of our people's struggle and aspirations to win back for ourselves, by peaceful means, freedom and democracy;

**WHEREAS**, it is but proper to construct a monument in honor of President Aquino, in memorial of our people's gratitude for her heroic and noble leadership as well as to remind ourselves of our deepest aspirations as a people – justice, freedom and democracy.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO**, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the creation of a Committee to cause the construction of a national monument in honor and tribute to the late President Corazon C. Aquino.

**SECTION 1.** There is hereby created a Committee to cause and oversee the construction of a national monument in honor of and as a tribute to the late President Corazon C. Aquino composed of:

Chairman

The National Historical Institute

Members

Presidential Management Staff

Philippine Information Agency

## **SECTION 2.** The Committee is hereby tasked to:

- 1. commission the design and construction of an appropriate national monument for this purpose
- 2. identify the specific site within the City of Manila for the erection of the monument
- 3. identify a historical date for the unveiling thereof
- 4. plan and prepare a ceremony for the unveiling thereof.





**SECTION 3.** The Committee shall ensure that the national monument shall be finished within a reasonable period.

**SECTION 4.** The Committee may call upon any government agency for any assistance it may require.

**SECTION 5.** The necessary budget for the implementation of this Order shall be taken from available funds of the Office of the President.

**SECTION 6.** This Memorandum Order shall take effect immediately.

Manila, 28 August 2009

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By the President:

**EDUARDO R. ERMITA** 

**Executive Secretary** 

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