

MALACANANG MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 63

DECLARING THE PERIOD FROM SEPTEMBER 26 TO OCTOBER 2, 1954, AS FOREST CONSERVATION WEEK.

WHEREAS, our forest resources are of utmost importance to the welfare and economic well-being of our people;

WHEREAS, these forest resources constitute a valuable heritage that must be passed on to those coming after us;

WHEREAS, wanton damage to these resources has been going on through kaingin making and destructive logging practices; and

WHEREAS, it has become necessary to stop such destruction and to impress upon our people the need of conserving these resources to the end that the benefits we derive from them and the services they render us would not only remain unimpaired but also made available to succeeding generations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RAMON MAGSAYSAY, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the period from September 26 to October 2, 1954, as Forest Conservation Week and designate the Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources to take charge of, and coordinate, all activities in celebration of the Week.

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 6th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-four, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the ninth.

By the President:

Executive Secretary