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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 269

PROCLAIMING THE PERIOD FROM 1988 TO 1998 AS "THE DECADE OF THE CENTENNIALS OF FILIPINO NATIONALISM; NATIONHOOD AND THE PHILIPPINE REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENT"

WHEREAS; the centennials of many of the heroic acts and historic events during the watershed of Filipino nationalism fall within the decade 1988-1998; the centennials of the culmination of the period of propaganda and reform; the founding of the Katipunan; the martyrdom of Rizal; the launching and triumph of the 1st Phase of the Philippine Revolution; and the declaration of Philippine Independence;

WHEREAS; the period 1888-1898 is associated with some of the greatest names in Philippine History: Lopez Jaena; Del Pilar; Rizal; Bonifacio; Jacinto; Aguinaldo; Mabini; Luna; and Ricarte and many others;

WHEREAS; it is necessary to instill in the hearts and minds of the people the spirit of nationalism and struggle and the ideals of liberty for which our heroes unselfishly dedicated themselves;

WHEREAS; the celebration of these centennials of Filipino nationalisms nationhood and the Philippine Revolutionary Movement should also prove to be a fitting period to ponder on those who struggled for liberty prior to 1888 and those who defended the liberty won subsequent to 1898;

NOW; THEREFORE; I; CORAZON C. AQUINO; President of the Philippines; by virtue of the powers vested in me by law; do hereby proclaim the period 1988 to 1998 as "The Decade of the Centennials of Filipino Nationalism; Nationhood and the Philippine Revolutionary Movement".

For the purposes of formulating plans and devising ways and means for the effective execution of appropriate activities and/or projects for the commemoration of "The Decade of the Centennials of Filipino Nationalism, Nationado and the Philippine Revolutionary Movement", there is hereby created a Centennial Committee to be composed of:

Secretary of Education; Culture and Sports

d Chairperson

Undersecretary of Education; Culture and Sports responsible for cultural agencies

Member

The Director and Members of the National Historical Institute

- Members

The Heads of the other cultural agencies of the Department of Education; Culture and Sports

Members

The President; Cultural Center of the Philippines

- Member

An Undersecretary of the Department of Tourism designated by the Secretary of Tourism

Member

A Representative from the Office of the President

- Member

The President, Philippine Historical Association

- Member

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The Centennial Committee is empowered to call upon any office; agency or instrumentality of the government for cooperation and assistance in the discharge of its functions.

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 10th day of June, in the year of Our Lord; nineteen hundred and eighty-eight.

By the President:

CATALINO MACARAIG, JR.

Executive Secretary