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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 553

DECLARING SUNDAY, APRIL 22, 1990, AS "EARTH DAY 1990"

WHEREAS, the gravity of environment degradation and destruction in the country threatens the very quality of life of many Filipinos;

WHEREAS, the denudation of our forests and the current drought exhibit most dramatically the plight of our environment;

WHEREAS, the support of the citizenry is vital to the success of measures directed at the improvement and conservation of our environment;

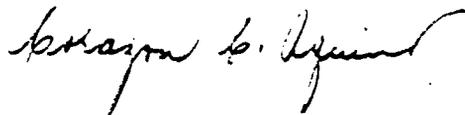
WHEREAS, public awareness is essential to the initiation of widespread civic action protective of the environment;

WHEREAS, Earth Day 1990 is a special occasion to be celebrated on April 22, 1990 by more than 100 countries as a signal of commitment to the conservation of the environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORAZON C. AQUINO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare Sunday, April 22, 1990, as "Earth Day 1990."

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 16th day of April, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety.



By the President:



CATALINO MACARAIG, JR.  
Executive Secretary