## MALACAÑANG Manila

## BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

## PROCLAMATION NO.392

RESERVING CERTAIN PARCELS OF LAND SITUATED IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF CALBIGA AND PINABACDAO, PROVINCE OF SAMAR FOR THE PURPOSE OF ESTABLISHING A SETTLEMENT AND AN AGRICULTURAL COMMUNITY UNDER THE AGRARIAN REFORM COMMUNITY PROGRAM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRARIAN REFORM.

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to provide a vigorous land resettlement program in order to create a truly viable social and economic structure in the country;

WHEREAS, it is the government's responsibility to provide with lands as well as technical guidance and assistance to make them independent, self-reliant and responsible citizens;

WHEREAS, a tract of public agricultural land in the Municipalities of Javier, Abuyog, Mahaplag, Baybay, Inopacan and Hilongos, all of the province of Leyte is found to be suitable for cultivation and can be developed as resettlement area;

WHEREAS, Section 85, Chapter XII, Title 5 of Commonwealth Act No. 141, otherwise known as the "Public Land Act", authorizes the President to designate, by proclamation, any tract or tracts of land of the public domain for establishment of agricultural communities; and Section 14, Chapter 4, Title I, Book III of the Administrative Code of 1987 grants the President the power to reserve.for settlement or public use, and for specific public purposes, any of the lands of the public domain, the use of which is not otherwise directed by law; and

WHEREAS, Section 3(5), Chapter 1, Title XI, Book IV of the Administrative Code of 1987 empowers the Department of Agrarian Reform to administer and dispose, under a settlement scheme, all portions of the public domain declared as alienable and disposable lands for speedy distribution to and development by deserving and qualified persons who do not own any land.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law and upon recommendation of the Secretary of Agrarian Reform and the Secretary of the Environment and

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Natural Resources, do hereby reserve for the purpose of establishing a settlement and an agricultural community under the administration and disposition of the Department of Agrarian Reform, subject to private rights, if any, certain parcels of land, particularly described as follows:

## Technical Description

Certain parcels of land, bounded on the north by barangays Macaalam and Paligan of the Municipality of Calbiga, on the east by DENR Bauxite Reserve area, Presidential Proclamation No. 1615, on the south by the Municipality of Sta. Rita, Samar, and on the west by barangays Parasanon and Pahug of the Municipality of Pinabacdao and a national highway, and more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at a joint marked "1" on the plan located at 0 11 32'03" latitude and 125 1'43" longtitude,

thence: N. 27 deg. 52'W., 6,036.74 m. to point 2; thence: N. 01 deg. 11'E., 1,570.28 m. to point 3; thence: N. 61 deg. 52'E., 7,136.17 m. to point 4; thence: S. 89 deg. 28'E., 4,329.99 m. to point 5; thence: S. 01 deg. 00'W., 7,585.00 m. to point 5; thence: S. 88 deg. 59'W\*, 1,390.89 m. to point 6; thence: S. 55 deg. 16'W., 4,563.25 m. to point 8; thence: S. 89 deg. 30'W., 2,560.00 m. to point

beginning; containing an area of EIGHT THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED SIXTY (8,160.00) hectares, (more or less).

The above technical descriptions are subject to adjustment based on the result of the final survey.

All areas within the reservation which fall under the classification of timberland, forest land or mineral public land, if any, shall be deemed excluded from the scope of this Proclamation.

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources shall retain jurisdiction over portions covered by public land applications as of the date hereof and shall continue to process such applications. All vested rights inside the reservation shall be respected.

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DONE in the City of Manila, this 27 day of May in the Year of Our Lord Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Four.

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By the President: TEOFISTO T. GUINGOYA, JR. Executive Secretary

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