

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 815

DECLARING THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1996 A SPECIAL DAY IN THE CITY OF CAVITE IN COMMEMORATION OF THE CENTENNIAL OF THE EXECUTION OF THE THIRTEEN MARTYRS OF CAVITE

**WHEREAS**, the City of Cavite has played a vital role to the cause of the Philippine Revolution in 1896 by providing manpower, financial and moral support to Gen. Emilio Aguinaldo's revolutionary army which was later famed for the successful defense of Cavite Province;

**WHEREAS**, the revolutionary struggle for freedom and independence and the eventual birth of the Filipino nation in 1898 was just the result of the emerging patriotism and individual sacrifices offered by our forebears during the darkest moment of our history;

**WHEREAS**, one of such sterling expression of self-determination and profound love to the Motherland was that of the death and martyrdom of the Thirteen Martyrs of Cavite on September 12, 1896 at the Plaza de Armas, Cavite;

**WHEREAS**, the transcendental significance of the event demands that it be cherished forever in the hearts and minds of the Filipino people in general, and the citizens of Cavite City in particular and inspire them as they strive for national prosperity and progress;

**WHEREAS**, its only appropriate that the national and city officials of Cavite City be given ample time to prepare the commemorative centenary rites honoring the Thirteen Martyrs of Cavite and enjoin the full participation of its local constituents;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS**, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by Book I, Chapter 7, Section 27, of the Administrative Code of 1987, do hereby declare Thursday, September 12, 1996, a special day in the City of Cavite in commemoration of the centennial of the execution of the Thirteen Martyrs in Cavite;

**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 19<sup>th</sup> day of June in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Six.



By the President:

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