

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 1021

DECLARING THE MONTH OF JULY OF EVERY YEAR AS "BLOOD DONORS MONTH"

WHEREAS, the Code of Ethics for Blood Donation and Transfusion provides that blood donation shall, in all circumstances, be voluntary;

WHEREAS, blood donation is a humanitarian act that has saved thousands of human lives;

WHEREAS, assurance of adequate supply of volunteer-sourced human blood depends on a sustained promotion of the advantages of voluntary blood donation;

WHEREAS, the operation of the Philippine National Red Cross Blood Program is based on the voluntary and non-remunerated gifts of blood given by thousands of blood donors throughout the country;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby declare the month of July of every year as "Blood Donors Month".

I hereby call upon all residents of the Philippines to turn their thoughts to and be inspired to emulate the men and women in our country who freely and voluntarily give part of themselves to help those in need of blood and its components.

This Proclamation supersedes Proclamation No. 279, series 1988.

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 9th day of J u n e in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Seven.



By the President:



RUBEN D. TORRES
Executive Secretary

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