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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 80

DECLARING THE PERIOD FROM NOVEMBER 26 TO DECEMBER 2, 2001, AND EVERY LAST WEEK OF NOVEMBER OF EACH YEAR AS NATIONAL MUSIC WEEK FOR YOUNG ARTISTS

WHEREAS, Filipino music is the expression of the soul of this nation;

WHEREAS, in recognition of the Filipino's innate love for music, a fitting celebration to encourage young artists to excel in music, composition and performance is most opportune;

WHEREAS, there is an imperative need to preserve, develop, and promote Philippine Music as an art and as a core component of our cultural development;

WHEREAS, under Proclamation No. 25 dated September 30, 1998, the National Music Competitions for Young Artists Foundation, Inc. has effectively undertaken the discovery and development of young talents in music by holding annual competitions and festivals in celebration of National Music Week.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the period from November 26 to December 2, 2001, and every last week of November of each year as National Music Week for Young Artists.

I urge all citizens of this country as well as all associations and organizations to declare this week appropriately to encourage Filipinos to appreciate Filipino music and make it form part of their cultural life.

In order to insure the successful celebration of this week throughout the Philippines, the National Commission for Culture and the Arts is hereby directed to take charge of the implementation and holding of this celebration.

All departments, bureaus and agencies of the Government are hereby instructed to give full support and financial assistance to the said committee.





IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be attixed.

Done in the City of Manila, this? day of AUGUST, in the year of Our Lord, two thousand and one.

By the President:

ALBERTO G. ROMULO Executive Secretary

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