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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 453

DECLARING MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2003, AS A SPECIAL (NON-WORKING) DAY IN THE PROVINCE OF COTABATO

WHEREAS, Monday, September 1, 2003, marks the *89th Foundation Day* anniversary of the Province of Cotabato;

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the people of the Province of Cotabato be given full opportunity to celebrate this milestone in their province's history with appropriate ceremonies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERTO G. ROMULO, Executive Secretary, by order of Her Excellency, **GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO**, do hereby declare Monday, September 1, 2003, as a special (non-working) day in the Province of Cotabato.

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 29^{th} day of Au_{ust} , in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

By order of the President:

ALBERTO G. ROMULO

Executive Secretary

By the Executive Secretary:

JOAQUIN C. LAGONERA

Senior Deputy Executive Secretary

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