

**MALACAÑANG**  
Manila

MFN 13445

**BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES**

**PROCLAMATION NO. 889**

**DECLARING THURSDAY, AUGUST 11, 2005, AS SPECIAL (NON-WORKING) DAY IN THE PROVINCE OF SAMAR**

**WHEREAS**, Spain declared Samar as a province independent of Leyte and Cebu on August 11, 1841, which occasion is now celebrated in the Province of Samar as "Samar Day";

**WHEREAS**, Thursday, August 11, 2005, marks the 9<sup>th</sup> *Samar Day* anniversary of the Province of Samar;

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

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDUARDO R. ERMITA**, Executive Secretary, by authority of Her Excellency, **GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO**, do hereby declare Thursday, August 11, 2005, as special (non-working) day in the Province of Samar.

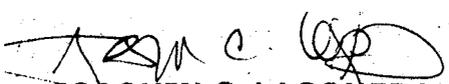
**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

Done in the City of Manila, this 5th day of August in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Five.

By authority of the President:

  
**EDUARDO R. ERMITA**  
Executive Secretary

By the Executive Secretary:

  
**JOAQUIN C. LAGONERA**  
Senior Deputy Executive Secretary