MALACAÑANG Manila

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 1043

DECLARING THURSDAY, APRIL 27, 2006 AS SPECIAL (NON-WORKING) DAY IN THE CITY OF LAPU-LAPU

WHEREAS, Thursday, April 27, 2006, marks the 485th anniversary of the Battle of Mactan, which has been described now as the "KADAUGAN SA MACTAN", a cultural and historical event for the City of Lapu-Lapu;

WHEREAS, the Battle of Mactan is among the significant events in Philippine history and serves as testimony to the rich cultural and historical heritage of the Filipinos; and

WHEREAS, it is but fitting and proper that the residents of the City of Lapu-Lapu be given full opportunity to celebrate this historic event with appropriate ceremonies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDUARDO R. ERMITA, Executive Secretary, by authority of Her Excellency, **GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO**, do hereby declare Thursday, April 27, 2006, as special (non-working) day in the City of Lapu-Lapu.

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 28 th day of March , in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.

By authority of the President:

EDUARDO R. ERMITA

Executive Secretary

By the Executive Secretary:

Senior Deputy Executive Secretary