MALACAÑANG MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 1798

DECLARING THE PERIOD FROM JUNE 6 TO 12, 2009 AS "PAGDIRIWANG WEEK" IN CELEBRATION OF THE 111th ANNIVERSARY OF PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE

WHEREAS, June 12, 2009 marks the celebration of the 111th anniversary of Philippine Independence;

WHEREAS, May 28 to June 12 was declared as National Flag Days, the historic period representing the collective effort of the Filipino Nation to attain independence;

WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper to declare the period from June 6 to 12, 2009 as "*Pagdiriwang Week*" in celebration of the 111th Anniversary of Philippine Independence;

WHEREAS, the declaration will complement the Filipino Heritage Festival featured in Seattle Center, USA and the *'Pagdiriwang 2009- A Filipino Cultural & Arts'* event on June 6 to 12, 2009 by the Filipino Cultural Heritage Society of Washington, USA.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, do hereby proclaim the period from June 6 to 12, 2009 as "Pagdiriwang Week" in celebration of the 111th anniversary of Philippine Independence.

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 8th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.

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By the President:

EDUARDO R. ERMITA Executive Secretary