

## BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

## PROCLAMATION NO. 1869

## DECLARING 12 SEPTEMBER 2009 AS NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE AND SANCTIFICATION OF SPIRITUAL LEADERS

**WHEREAS**, the promotion of peace and unity among the Filipino people is a national responsibility;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to pray for grace for the sanctification of our spiritual leaders to enable them to inspire and set a compassionate and moral leadership amongst our people;

**WHEREAS**, with the many challenges faced by our nation today, every Filipino needs to set aside differences and to join hands to endeavor in working towards the common good;

**WHEREAS**, a day devoted to prayer for peace process and unity and sanctification of our spiritual leaders may serve in furtherance the achievement of these goals;

WHEREAS, in order to reaffirm the fulfillment of these goals through personal change leading towards transformation of our national life, September 12 of last year has been declared a National Day of Prayer for Peace and Reconciliation for our Nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare 12 September 2009 as a National Day of Prayer for Peace and Sanctification of Spiritual Leaders.

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 28th day of August , in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Nine.

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By the President:

**EDUARDO R. ERMITA**Executive Secretary

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