MALACAÑANG Manila

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 1997

DECLARING THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2010, AS SPECIAL (NON-WORKING) DAY IN THE CITY OF BAYAWAR

WHEREAS, Thursday, February 18, 2010, marks the Tawo-Tawo Festival of the City of Bayawan;

WHEREAS, the Tawo-Tawo Festival reflects the culture of Bayawan City being a rice granary of the southern part of the Province of Negros Oriental;

WHEREAS, to give the people of the City of Bayawan full opportunity to celebrate and participate in the occasion, it is but fitting and proper to declare February 18, 2010 as non-working day.

NOV, **THEREFORE, I, EDUARDO R. ERMITA**, Executive Secretary, by authority of Her Excellency, **GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO**, do hereby declare Thursday, February 18, 2010, as special (non-working) day in the City of Bayawan.

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, this10thday of February, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

By authority of the President:

EDUARDO R. ERMITA Executive Secretary

By the Executive Secretary:

JUAQUIN C. LAGONERA Senior Deputy Executive Secretary