MALACAÑAN PALACE

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 455

DECLARING MONDAY, 20 AUGUST 2012, AS A REGULAR HOLIDAY THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY IN OBSERVANCE OF *EID'L FITR* (FEAST OF RAMADHAN)

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9177 declared *Eid'l Fitr* (Feast of Ramadhan) as a regular holiday throughout the country;

WHEREAS, Eid'l Fitr is celebrated by the Muslim World for three (3) days after the end of the month of fasting;

WHEREAS, to promote cultural understanding and integration, the entire Filipino nation should have the full opportunity to join their Muslim brothers and sisters in the observance and celebration of *Eid'l Fitr*, and

WHEREAS, in order to bring the religious and cultural significance of the *Eid'l Fitr* to the fore of national consciousness, it is necessary to declare Monday, 20 August 2012, as a regular holiday throughout the country.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare Monday, 20 August 2012, as a regular holiday throughout the country in observance of *Eid'l Fitr* (Feast of Ramadhan).

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 13th day of August, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

By the President: 1

PAQUITO N OCHOA, JR. Executive Secretary



