

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 162

DECLARING THE FIRST WEEK OF SEPTEMBER OF EVERY YEAR AS OBESITY PREVENTION AWARENESS WEEK

WHEREAS, obesity continues to grow to be one of the country's serious health problems due to the growing addiction to the Western type of lifestyle and diet which affects national socio-economic development;

WHEREAS, to address the different concerns in the prevention and treatment of obesity, management of obesity should be sought for to reduce the life threatening disease such as heart diseases and type 2 diabetes as well as to improve the quality of life;

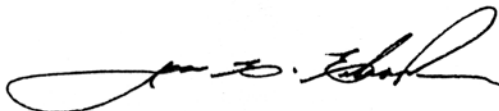
WHEREAS, the declaration of obesity prevention awareness week on the first week of September is to intensify the knowledge and awareness of the increasingly recognized risks of obesity;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Association for the Study of Overweight and Obesity (PASOO) was organized in 1984 to help address the different concerns in the prevention and treatment of obesity which is composed of multi-disciplinary professionals committed to raising awareness of the problem of obesity among Filipinos, and will be tasked to carry on the activities to promote this awareness.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the first week of September of every year as OBESITY PREVENTION AWARENESS WEEK under the auspices of the Philippine Association for the Study of Overweight and Obesity.

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 21st day of August, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety nine.



By the President:



RONALDO B. ZAMORA
Executive Secretary



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Date

