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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 126

MEU 10285

DECLARING THE MONTH OF DECEMBER OF EVERY YEAR AS "RIZAL MONTH"

WHEREAS, December 30 of every year marks the death anniversary of Dr. Jose Rizal, patriot, martyr, and National Hero;

WHEREAS, December 23-20 of each year which has been declared Rizal Week since December 19, 1986 has not been sufficient to accommodate all the activities to give due recognition to Dr. Rizal's martyrdom in order to attain their full impact to the nation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the month of December of every year as "Rizal Month".

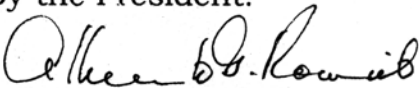
I call upon the Commission on Higher Education, Department of Education, other government agencies/instrumentalities, the Order of the Knights of Rizal and concerned organizations to extend full support to the programs and activities planned for the month.

I likewise call upon all citizens and residents of the Philippines, irrespective of race and creed to participate and support the Rizal Month activities.

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 26th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, two thousand and one.

By the President:


ALBERTO G. ROMULO
Executive Secretary

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