

MALACAÑANG
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 1979

ACCORDING TO ERNESTO OCHOA DOMINGO, PH.D., THE RANK AND TITLE OF NATIONAL SCIENTIST

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines states that it is a declared policy of the State to give priority to science and technology.

WHEREAS, Section 10, Article XIV of the Constitution also provides that science and technology are essential for national development and that the State shall give priority to research, development, invention, innovation and their utilization;

WHEREAS, the rank and title of National Scientist was created under Presidential Decree No. 1003-A, dated December 16, 1976;

WHEREAS, preeminent achievements by Filipinos in science and technology that have contributed to the progress of the country and humanity deserve the recognition and acknowledgement of our Government in pursuit of its policy of furthering national development through enhanced scientific and technological research and development;

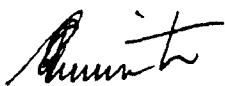
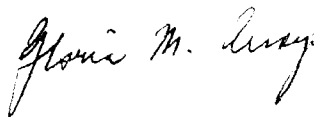
WHEREAS, the work of Ernesto Ochoa Domingo, Ph.D., in the field of Gastroenterology and Internal Medicine is reflective of this preeminence, and of the national genius that contributes to science and technology and to the progress of the Philippines and the world;

NOW THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Science and Technology and of the National Academy of Science and Technology, and pursuant to Presidential Decree No. 1003-A, dated December 16, 1976, in relation to Section 33, Chapter 6, Title XVIII, Book IV, of Executive Order No. 292, otherwise known as the "Administrative Code of 1987", do hereby accord to Academician Ernesto Ochoa Domingo, Ph.D., the rank and title of National Scientist, with the privileges and emoluments attached thereto.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed hereto.

Done in the City of Manila, this 14th day of January, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.

By the President:



EDUARDO R. ERMITA
Executive Secretary

