BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 179

PROMINENT DISPLAY OF THE NATIONAL FLAG IN ALL BUILDINGS, ESTABLISHMENTS, AND HOMES FROM 28 MAY 1994 TO 12 JUNE 1994 AND EVERY YEAR THEREAFTER, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Section 1, Article XVI of the 1987 Constitution provides that the National Flag should be consecrated and honored by the people and recognized by law;

WHEREAS, the National Flag, which symbolizes patriotism, love of country, and sense of nationhood and embodies the aspirations and sentiments of the Filipino People in their unceasing quest for freedom and independence, can be instrumental in raising the level of socio-civic consciousness of the Filipinos, especially among the youth;

WHEREAS, Proclamation No. 374 dated 06 March 1965 declared 28 May of each year as Flag Day, to commemorate the first unfurling of the Philippine Flag on Philippine soil at Alapan, Imus, Cavite on 28 May 1898;

WHEREAS, Section 8 of Executive Order No. 137 dated 07 January 1965, mandates the display of the National Flag on national holidays, or special holidays as the President may proclaim not only in all public buildings, official residences, public squares and schools but whenever practicable, in all private buildings and homes, from sunrise to sunset; and,

WHEREAS, the period spanning the commemoration of the historic Flag Day on May 28 and the Independence Day on June 12, are opportune time for all Filipinos to collectively reflect on the significance of the National Flag, in the light of the forthcoming centennial celebration of the Philippine Independence in 1998.

NOW, THEREFCRE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the laws of the land, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Display of the National Flag. All government departments, agencies, offices, government owned and controlled corporations, instrumentalities and the local



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government units, shall prominently display the National Flag from 28 May 1994 to 12 June 1994 and every year thereafter, in all public buildings, government institutions and official residences.

The Department of Education, Culture and Sports, in coordination with the private sector, non-government organizations, and socio-civic groups, shall enjoin the prominent display of the National Flag in all public squares and, whenever practicable, in all private buildings and homes.

- SEC. 2. Allocation of Funds. In support of the 1994 Independence Day Celebration, all concerned agencies may allocate such amount as may be necessary to defray expenditures that may be incurred from participation in the said activity, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
- **SEC. 3. Effectivity.** This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 24 day of May, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety Four.

By the President:

TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.

Executive Secretary

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