

**[ ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 400, March 01, 1977 ]**

**CREATING AN EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO TAKE CHARGE OF THE PLANNING AND EXECUTION OF COMMEMORATIVE ACTIVITIES FOR THE 35TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FALL OF BATAAN AND THE FALL OF CORREGIDOR**

WHEREAS, the Fall of Bataan and the Fall of Corregidor are historic milestones in our nationhood;

WHEREAS, it is deemed fitting and proper to commemorate these historic events with appropriate activities and/or ceremonies in order to impress our people as well as the rest of the world of the valor and sacrifices of those who fought and died during the epic struggle for freedom and democracy, and of the transcending significance of such struggle in our national development and aspirations;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby constitute and create an Executive Committee to formulate plans and devise ways and means for the successful execution of appropriate activities and/or ceremonies for the commemoration of the 35th anniversary of the Fall of Bataan and the Fall of Corregidor. The Committee shall be composed of the following:

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| The Undersecretary for Civilian Relations<br>Department of National Defense | – Chairman      |
| The Undersecretary for Tourism<br>Department of Tourism                     | – Co-Chairman   |
| The Chief of Staff<br>Armed Forces of the Philippines                       | – Vice-Chairman |
| The President, Philippine Veterans Bank                                     | – Member        |
| The Administrator of Veterans Affairs, PVAO                                 | – Member        |
| The Executive Vice-President, VFP   | – Member        |
| The Assistance Secretary, DLGCD   | – Member        |
| The Deputy Commissioner of the Budget                                       | – Member        |
| The Chairman, National Historical Institute                                 | – Member        |
| The Special Assistant on Veterans Affairs, DND                              | – Member        |
| The Director General of Protocol, DFA                                       | – Member        |
| The Director, National Media Production Center                              | – Member        |