

**[ ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 22, December 05, 1946 ]**

**DESIGNATING THE NATIONAL RIZAL DAY COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, the mid-centennial anniversary of Jose Rizal's martyrdom on December thirtieth, nineteen hundred and forty-six, falls in the first year of the Republic of the Philippines; and

WHEREAS, the proclamation of the Republic this year constitutes the glorious fulfillment of the dream for which our greatest national hero freely gave his life in sacrifice;

NOW, THEREFORE I, MANUEL ROXAS, President of the Philippines, do hereby call upon all officials and citizens of the Republic to observe the mid-centennial anniversary of his sacrifice with the most appropriate ceremonies and programs expressive of the nation's highest homage and gratitude; and designate to the national Rizal Day Committee, with Emilio Abello, as chairman, and Marciano Roque, Sergio Bayan, Prudencio Langcauon, Rafael Jalandoni, Valeriano Fugoso, Manuel de la Fuente, Alfredo de Leon, Antonio Pagua, Francisco T. Benitez and Toribio Teodoro, as members, and Vicente Lontok as Executive Secretary, to organize and effect all arrangements necessary for the fitting celebration of the day all over the Philippines and secure the cooperation of all government and private instrumentalities to ensure its success.

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

Done at the City of Manila, this 5th day of December, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-six, and of the Republic of the Philippines, the first.

**(Sgd.) MANUEL ROXAS**  
*President of the Philippines*

By the President:

**(Sgd.) EMILIO ABELLO**  
*Chief of the Executive Office*



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