[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 146, August 26, 1999]

CONSTITUTING THE GREATER METROPOLITAN MANILA SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

WHEREAS , it is the policy of the State to protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology;

WHEREAS , a balanced and healthful ecology requires, among others, the proper and efficient disposal of solid waste;

WHEREAS , one of the basic services that need to be properly managed in Metro Manila and its environs is the collection, treatment and disposal of solid waste;

WHEREAS , in view of the highly-urbanized nature of Metro Manila, and the movement of population between and among the metropolis and its surrounding provinces, the management of solid waste must be extended to the adjoining provinces of Bataan, Batangas, Bulacan, Cavite, Pampanga, Laguna, Rizal and Zambales;

WHEREAS , to enable the government to undertake measures to prevent a garbage crisis in Metro Manila and its adjoining provinces, there is need to constitute a body that shall formulate and implement a comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan for said areas.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. *Constitution of the GMMSWMC*. There is hereby constituted a Greater Metropolitan Manila Solid Waste Management Committee, hereinafter referred to as GMMSWMC or as the Committee.

Section 2. *Composition*. The GMMSWMC shall have the Chairman of the Presidential Committee on Flagship Programs and Projects (Flagship Committee) as its Chairman, and the following as members:

Secretary, Department of Environment and Natural Resources Secretary, Department of Science and Technology Secretary, Department of Public Works and Highways Secretary, Department of Health Secretary, Department of Justice Director-General, National Economic and Development Authority Head, Presidential Management Staff Chairman, Metropolitan Manila Development Authority Governor, Bataan Governor, Batangas Governor, Bulacan Governor, Cavite