## [ PROCLAMATION NO. 339, February 16, 2012 ]

## DECLARING THE MONTH OF AUGUST OF EVERY YEAR AS HISTORY MONTH, THEREBY TRANSFERRING THE OBSERVANCE OF HISTORY WEEK FROM 15 TO 21 SEPTEMBER TO THE MONTH OF AUGUST

WHEREAS, History Week is observed from 15 to 21 September of every year by virtue of Proclamation No. 1304 (s. 1974);

WHEREAS, there is a need to transfer the observance of HistAory Week from 15 to 21 September to the whole month of August and rename the occasion as "History Month" to emphasize the most significant turning points in Philippine history;

WHEREAS, major events in the nation's history occurred in the month of August which concludes with National Heroes Day on 30 August; and

WHEREAS, a week of observance is not enough to undertake various activities given the richness and diversity of our nation's history.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO, III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the month of August of every year as "History Month."

Proclamation No. 1304 (s. 1974) is hereby repealed.

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

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 16 th day of February, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twelve.

(SGD.) BENIGNO S. AQUINO III President of the Philippines

By the President:

(SGD.) PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR. *Executive Secretary* 

