[PROCLAMATION NO. 1566, July 30, 2008]

DECLARING MONDAY, AUGUST 11, 2008, AS SPECIAL (NON-WORKING) DAY IN THE PROVINCE OF SAMAR

WHEREAS, Spain declared Samar as a province independent of Leyte and Cebu on August 11, 1841, which occasion is now celebrating in the Province of Samar as "Samar Day";

WHEREAS, Monday, August 11, 2008, marks the 12th Samar Day anniversary of the Province of Samar;

WHEREAS, it is but fitting and proper that the people of the Province of Samar be given full opportunity to celebrate the occasion with appropriate ceremonies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDUARDO R. ERMITA, Executive Secretary, by authority of Her Excellency, **GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO**, do hereby declare Monday, August 11, 2008, as special (non-working) day in the Province of Samar.

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 30th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Eight.

By authority of the President:

(Sgd.) EDUARDO R. ERMITA

Executive Secretary

By authority of the Executive Secretary:

(Sgd.) JOAQUIN C. LAGONERA

Senior Deputy Executive Secretary

