[PROCLAMATION NO. 1169, November 10, 2006]

DECLARING NOVEMBER 30, 2006 (THURSDAY) AS A WORKING DAY, WHILE AUTHORIZING DECEMBER 1, 2006 (FRIDAY) AS A NON-WORKING HOLIDAY, AND DECLARING DECEMBER 26, 2006 (TUESDAY) AS A SPECIAL (NON-WORKING) DAY, THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY

WHEREAS, pursuant to Executive Order No. 292, series of 1987, as amended by Republic Act No. 9177, Bonifacio Day is observed as a regular holiday on the 30th of November of each year; this year Bonifacio Day falls on a Thursday.

WHEREAS, December 1, 2006 (Friday) may be declared as a non-working holiday while November 30, 2006 (Thursday) may be declared a working day, provided that all activities and celebrations for Bonifacio Day shall remain to be observed on November 30, 2006; and

WHEREAS, in consideration of the Filipino tradition of visiting relatives and spending time with one's family on Christmas Day (December 25) which falls on a Monday this year, and to give an opportunity for travel to those who have to return home or to their workplaces after their Christmas visits, the following day, December 26, 2006 (Tuesday) may be declared as special day throughout the country.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the following:

SECTION 1. November 30, 2006 shall be a working day, while December 1, 2006 shall be a non-working holiday throughout the country.

All activities and celebrations in observance of "Bonifacio Day" shall, however, remain to be observed on Thursday, November 30, 2006

SECTION 2. December 26, 2006 shall be a special (non-working) day throughout the country.

SECTION 3. The Department of Labor and Employment shall issue the appropriate guidelines to implement this Proclamation.

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 10th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.