

[PROCLAMATION NO. 235, December 19, 1955]

**EXCLUDING FROM THE OPERATION OF THE TOWNSITE
RESERVATION OF BAGUIO CITY THE PARCEL OR PARCELS OF
LAND DESCRIBED IN PROCLAMATION NO. 364, SERIES OF 1953,
SITUATED IN THE SAID CITY AND DECLARING THE SAME OPEN
TO DISPOSITION UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER IX OF
THE PUBLIC LAND ACT IN RELATION TO REPUBLIC ACT NO. 730**

WHEREAS, under Proclamation No. 358, series of 1938, there had been reserved for Workingmen's Village certain parcels of the public domain situated in Residence Section "H", City of Baguio;

WHEREAS, under Proclamation No. 397, series of 1993, there had also been reserved for military purposes certain parcels of the public domain situated in the same City;

WHEREAS, under Proclamation No. 364, series of 1953, the two above-mentioned reservations were disestablished and the parcel or parcels of land embraced therein declared open to disposition under the provisions of the Public Land Act;

WHEREAS, the disposition of said parcels of land, being within the townsite reservation of Baguio, may be effected only in the manner prescribed under Chapter XI of the Public Land Act, i.e. the sale through public auction regardless of the existence of bonafide occupants thereof;

WHEREAS, the occupants of said parcels of land are generally low-salaried employees and laborers who can not afford to enter into competitive bidding with the moneyed class when the lands are sold at public auction as required by the provisions of Chapter XI of the Public Land Act aforementioned; and

WHEREAS, it has been the policy of the administration since the enactment of Republic Act No. 730 to recognize the right of bonafide occupants who have no home lots of their own.

NOW THEREFORE, upon recommendation of the Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources and pursuant to the authority vested in me by law, I, RAMON MAGSAYSAY, President of the Philippines, do hereby exclude from the operation of the townsite reservation of Baguio City the parcel or parcels of land embraced in Proclamation No. 364, series of 1953, and declare so much thereof as have not yet been sold, open to disposition under Chapter IX of the Public Land Act in relation to Republic Act No. 730.

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 19th day of December, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-five, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the