

[GENERAL ORDER NO. 18, December 08, 1972]

WHEREAS, martial law has been declared under Proclamation No. 1031, dated September 21, 1972, and is now in effect throughout the entire country;

WHEREAS, one of the objectives of Proclamation No. 1081 is to effect social, economic and political reforms, and thus bring out the transformation of a new society in our country, a society designed to improved the quality of life of each Filipino;

WHEREAS, family planning and responsible parenthood assure greater opportunity for each Filipino to reach his full potential and to attain his individual dignity;

WHEREAS, every citizen of the Philippine should participate to bring about these changes;

NOW THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of the Philippines, pursuant to Proclamation No. 1001 dated September 21, 1972 and General Order No. 1 dated September 22, 1972 as amended, do hereby enjoin all citizens of the Philippines, all universities, colleges and schools, government offices, mass media, civic and voluntary organizations, religious organizations of all creeds, and business and industrial enterprises to promote the concept of family welfare, responsible parenthood, and family planning.

Done in the City of Manila this 8th day of December, in the year of Our Lord nineteen hundred and seventy-two.

**(Sgd.) FERDINAND E.
MARCOS**
President
Republic of the Philippines

By the President:

(Sgd.) ALEJANDRO MELCHOR
Executive Secretary

