

# **[ LETTER OF INSTRUCTIONS NO. 1172, November 06, 1981 ]**

## **PROVIDING FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SAN JUAN BAÑO AND ITS VICINITY INTO A TOURIST SPOT AND THE ADMINISTRATIVE MANAGEMENT, CONTROL AND SUPERVISION THEREOF.**

TO:     The Minister, Ministry of Natural Resources  
          The Minister, Ministry of Tourism  
          The Governor, Province of Pampanga

WHEREAS, Letter of Instructions No. 597 was issued to bolster the development of Mount Arayat and its environs that it may serve as a shining memorial to the struggles and sacrifices of the inhabitants, more particularly the peasantry, in their quest for a modest and respectable place in society.

WHEREAS, ensconced in the slopes of Mount Arayat is San Juan Baño Resort, a recreation area that possesses potentials which, if fully explored, expanded and developed, will fill an urgent and long-felt need of the people of Pampanga for a recreation center that is not only accessible but within their means;

WHEREAS, it has a policy of the government to boost tourism by establishing tourist spots all over the archipelago;

WHEREAS, the development of San Juan Baño Resort is also in line with the above stated policy;

WHEREAS, considering that San Juan Baño Resort lies within the territorial boundaries of the Province of Pampanga, the provincial government of Pampanga is in a much better position to oversee the improvement, beautification, expansion, and development thereof into a tourist spot and to administer, manage and supervise its operation.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby order and direct:

1. The authority and responsibility for the development, operation and administration of the San Juan Baño Resort is hereby transferred from the Bureau of Forest Development to the Province of Pampanga which shall act in coordination with the Ministry of Natural Resources and Ministry of Tourism. For this purpose, the Governor of Pampanga, as Chairman; the Minister of Tourism and the Minister of Natural Resources, as members, of their representatives, shall constitute a council which shall lay down the policies, plans and programs of development and administration of the San Juan Baño Resort. The council shall meet as the need arises at such time and place that its chairman may designate.
2. The Governor of Pampanga or his representative shall be responsible for implementation of the policies, plans and programs laid down by the council and the administration of the San Juan Baño Resort. In the performance of this function, the Governor of Pampanga or his representative, may call on