

**MALACAÑAN  
MANILA  
BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES**

**[PROCLAMATION NO. 33]  
DECLARING THE MONTH OF MAY OF EVERY YEAR  
"FARMERS' AND FISHERFOLK'S MONTH"**

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**WHEREAS**, the government has accorded highest priority to the development of agriculture and fishery not only to achieve an equitable distribution of benefits and opportunities, but also enable the farmers and fishermen to maximize their contribution to the Nation's wealth;

**WHEREAS**, the Filipino farmer and fishermen, who constitute half of the national labor force, play a major role in economic recovery by contributing a quarter to the gross domestic product and generating 40% of the country's export revenues;

**WHEREAS**, our farmers and fishermen deserve due recognition for their invaluable contribution to nation-building.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORAZON C. AQUINO**, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the month of May of every year as "FARMERS' AND FISHERMEN'S MONTH", under the auspices of the Department of Agriculture.

**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 21st day of March in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty-nine.

Signed:

CORAZON C. AQUINO

By the President:

CATALINO MACARAIG, JR.  
Executive Secretary