BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 739

DECLARING THE EXISTENCE OF A STATE OF CALAMITY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF KAPATAGAN, PROVINCE OF LANAO DEL NORTE, WHICH WAS ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY TWO SUCCESSIVE DISASTERS ON OCTOBER 1995

WHEREAS, the Secretary of National Defense as Chairman of the National Disaster Coordinating Council (NDCC) recommends the declaration of a state of calamity in the Municipality of Kapatagan, Province of Lanao del Norte due to adverse effects of two successive disasters on October 1995, the first being typhoon Mameng, and the other a fire that gutted down 90% of the commercial district of the said municipality;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need for the declaration of a state of calamity in the area to enable the local government unit to use its Calamity Fund for relief and other emergency requirements of the affected constituents;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare that a state of public calamity exists in the Municipality of Kapatagan, Province of Lanao del Norte.

All departments and other government agencies concerned are hereby directed to implement and execute relief and rehabilitation work in accordance with existing operational plans, directives and orders issued in connection with calamities.

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 15th day of February in the year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Ninety-Six.

By the President:

RUBEN D. TORRES

Executive Secretary

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