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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 1265

DECLARING WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 1998, AS A SPECIAL DAY IN THE CORDILLERA ADMINISTRATIVE REGION

WHEREAS, on July 15, 1987, Executive Order No. 220 created the Cordillera Administrative Region comprising Abra, Apayao, Benguet, Ifugao, Kalinga, Mountain Province, and the City of Baguio;

WHEREAS, on this historic day, the Cordillera people saw the realization of their aspirations for administrative decentralization, which they have been struggling to achieve for more than half a century;

WHEREAS, there is a need to focus attention on the historic significance of the occasion;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by Book I, Chapter 7, Section 27, of the Administrative Code of 1987, do hereby declare Wednesday, July 15, 1998, as a special day in the Cordillera Administrative Region.

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 23<u>rd</u> day of June, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety eight.

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