

MALACAÑAN PALACE  
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 540

DECLARING MONDAY, 18 FEBRUARY 2013, AS A SPECIAL (NON-  
WORKING) DAY IN THE CITY OF BAYAWAN, NEGROS ORIENTAL

**WHEREAS**, the celebration of the *Tawo-Tawo Festival* of the City of Bayawan will be held on Monday, 18 February 2013;

**WHEREAS**, the Tawo-Tawo Festival reflects the culture of the City of Bayawan being a rice granary of the southern part of the Province of Negros Oriental;

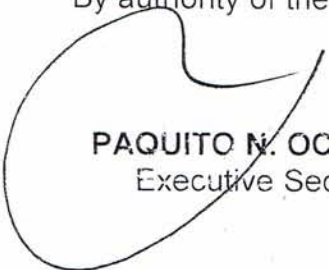
**WHEREAS**, it is but fitting and proper that the people of the City of Bayawan be given full opportunity to celebrate and participate in the occasion with appropriate ceremonies.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, PAQUITO N. OCHOA JR.**, Executive Secretary, by authority of His Excellency, **BENIGNO S. AQUINO III**, do hereby declare Monday, 18 February 2013, as a special (non-working) day in the City of Bayawan.


**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 28<sup>th</sup> day of January, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Thirteen.

By authority of the President:

  
**PAQUITO N. OCHOA JR.**  
Executive Secretary

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**MARIANITO M. DIMAANDAL**  
DIRECTOR IV