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**MALACAÑANG**  
**Manila**

**BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES**

**PROCLAMATION NO. 1397**

**DECLARING FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2007 AS A REGULAR HOLIDAY THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY IN OBSERVANCE OF EIDL'L FITR (FEAST OF RAMADHAN)**

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act No. 9177 declared *Eid'l Fitr* (Feast of Ramadhan) as a regular holiday throughout the country;

**WHEREAS**, *Eid'l Fitr* , celebrated by the Muslim world for three (3) days after the end of the month of fasting;

**WHEREAS**, the implementation of RA 9177 shall be under the supervision of the Office on Muslim Affairs (OMA) which shall promulgate rules and regulations pursuant to the provisions of said Act;

**WHEREAS**, for this year, the month of Ramadhan may culminate either on October 12 or 13, 2007 subject to the sighting of the new moon on October 11, 2007;

**WHEREAS**, according to OMA, the main date for the celebration of *Eid'l Fitr* this year has been determined to fall on Friday, October 12, 2007;

**WHEREAS**, in order to bring the religious and cultural significance of the *Eid'l Fitr* to the fore of national consciousness, it is necessary to declare Friday, October 12, 2007 as regular holiday throughout the country;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare Friday, October 12, 2007 as a regular holiday throughout the country.

**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 1<sup>st</sup> day of October, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

(Sgd.) **GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO**

By the President:

(Sgd.) **EDUARDO R. ERMITA**  
Executive Secretary