

# **[ PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 37, November 06, 1972 ]**

## **CREATING THE NAYONG PILIPINO FOUNDATION**

WHEREAS, it is deemed necessary to create a foundation which will promote, encourage and initiate research and development projects and activities in social sciences, humanities, social and amelioration and allied fields. NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ferdinand E. Marcos, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution as Commander-in-Chief of all the Armed Forces of the Philippines, and pursuant to Proclamation. No. 1081 dated September 21, 1972, and General Order No. 1 dated September 22, 1972, do hereby create the Nayong Pilipino Foundation, a body corporate, with its main executive office at Manila, hereinafter known as the Nayong Pilipino.

1. The purposes and objectives of the Nayong Pilipino are as follows:

(a) To promote, encourage, espouse and/or initiate research and development projects on social sciences and humanities and related fields;

(b) To formulate a comprehensive social welfare program for the upliftment, improvement and amelioration of the social and economic conditions of the unfortunate destitute members of our society with the end in view of availing maximum utilization of their potentialities in the solution of the country's problems;

(c) To encourage and facilitate the active participation of the domestic and foreign sectors in furnishing financial, technical and other forms of assistance for the Foundation's social welfare programs;

(d) To promote and encourage the dissemination of the results of its researches and studies in social sciences and humanities and to encourage their practical application to problems of the masses;

(e) To establish, set up and/or maintain scholarships or professional chairs in order to foster, promote and encourage the study and improvement of fundamental or pure research, applied research, developmental work and/or economic evaluation in the fields of social sciences or humanities;

(f) To establish parks and recreation centers for the promotion of tourism in this country; and

(g) To construct, improve, enlarge or equip or to cause the building, improvement, enlarging or equipping of buildings, libraries, laboratories, workshops or other educational accessories required for scientific research; to establish, maintain, or aid others to establish or maintain institutions doing research of all kinds in the fields of social sciences and humanities.

2. The Foundation shall be a non-stock, non-profit public corporation, organized, established and operated in the public interest and no portion of its funds and income shall inure to the benefit of any of its members.

3. The policy-making body of the Nayong Pilipino shall be the Board of Trustees composed of a Chairman and eight Members to be appointed by the President for a