

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 135, July 31, 1999]

MANDATING THE STREAMLINING OF THE NAYONG PILIPINO FOUNDATION, INCORPORATED

WHEREAS , the Nayong Pilipino Foundation, Inc. through Presidential Decree No. 37, issued on May 21, 1969 was created primarily to promote Philippine Art and Culture, aims principally to undertake, promote, encourage and initiate the development of projects in social sciences and humanities and established parks and recreation centers for the promotion of tourism;

WHEREAS , the NPF encountered financial difficulties constraining its performance or corporate mandates, adversely affecting its programs and projects to enshrine the rich National Heritage of the Filipino through the authentic depiction of customs and traditions of natural and historical legacies;

WHEREAS , the Board of Trustees per Resolution No. 65-122297, in line with the government's thrust to streamline the bureaucracy, approved to reduce its manpower complement from 214 plantilla positions to only 88 positions;

WHEREAS , pursuant to Section 29, Chapter 5, Book V, Executive Order No. 292, series of 1987, an entity can reduce its workforce when it has no more fund to sustain its operations; and,

WHEREAS , consistent with Section 77, 78 and 79 of Republic Act No. 8745, the General Appropriations Act of 1999, the President has been authorized to direct the reorganization of any department or agency and/or the scaling down or phasing out of their activities, as may be necessary;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA , President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested on me by law, do hereby order the streamlining of the NPF, as follows:

SECTION 1. Objectives. The streamlining shall be taken within the overall context of redeveloping the area and improve the quality of service the park offers to the public. It is aimed to improve NPF operations to enable the agency to become more purposive in the pursuance of its visions and goals.

SEC. 2. Refocusing of Operations. NPF envisions a total Cultural Park and a living microcosm of Philippine culture, tradition and natural legacies, where a visitor may see a virtual image of the actual region, its traditional festivals, customs and ways of life. To attain the mission/vision of NPF and a well maintained cultural park, the strategy to encourage linkages with local government units and with business partners who can contribute to the redevelopment of the cultural park will be adopted.

SEC. 3. Organization and Staffing Modification. On the basis of the agency's refocusing of core functions, the NPF shall be authorized to realign operations,