

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 144, August 23, 1999]

ESTABLISHING THE COORDINATIVE AND INTEGRATION MECHANISM FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DAVAO INTEGRATED DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Davao Integrated Development Program (DIDP) is a collaborative effort of the provinces of Davao del Norte, Davao del Sur, Davao Oriental and Compostela Valley, and the cities of Davao, Tagum, and the Island Garden City of Samal;

WHEREAS, the program has achieved significant strides in integrating the development initiatives and plans of the local government units as well as the national government line agencies since its inception in 1994;

WHEREAS, through the DIDP Master Plan, LGUs have a more focused, efficient and effective approach to the management of sub-regional development under the Regional Development Council; and

WHEREAS, the DIDP Master Plan responds to and complements the National Government's 10-Point Agenda particularly in the attainment of food security and poverty alleviation in Mindanao.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of powers vested in me by law and the Constitution, do hereby order the following:

SECTION 1. Establishment of the Davao Integrated Development Board. There is hereby established the Davao Integrated Development Board, hereinafter referred to as the Board, which shall serve as a special body to coordinate and promote the socio-economic growth and development of the Davao Gulf area. The board shall be attached to the Office of the President, through the Flagship Committee.

SECTION 2. Composition of the Board . The DIDP Board shall be composed of the following: Chairperson of the Regional Development Council for Region XI; Governors of the Provinces of Davao del Sur, Davao del Norte, Davao Oriental, and the Compostela Valley; the City Mayors of Davao, Tagum, and the Island Garden City of Samal; Regional Director of NEDA and DA for Region XI; and, the Managing Director of the Project Management Office (PMO). The Chairperson and the Vice-Chairperson of the Board shall be elected from among its members.

SECTION 3. Powers and Functions of the Board . The Board shall exercise the following powers and functions:

a. Formulate policies and guidelines and establish development goals within the context of the Regional Development Plan and the Mindanao Development Framework;