

**[ EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 224, February 10, 1995 ]**

**TRANSFERRING THE MANAGEMENT, ADMINISTRATION AND  
MAINTENANCE OF BURNHAM PARK TO THE CITY GOVERNMENT  
OF BAGUIO**

**WHEREAS**, the Burnham Park Reservation was reserved for park purposes by virtue of Proclamation No. 64, promulgated August 6, 1925;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Presidential Decree No. 1762 dated January 6, 1981, and Proclamation No. 2144 dated December 9, 1981, the Burnham Park Reservation was ceded and conveyed to the Philippine Tourism Authority (PTA) for tourism development purposes;

**WHEREAS**, in a move to centralize the planning, development, management and operation of all national parks around the country, the management, maintenance and administration of the Burnham Park Reservation was transferred and vested to the National Parks Development Committee for a period of FIVE (5) YEARS through a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) dated March 10, 1989 between PTA and NPDC as modified by a MOA between said parties dated August 7, 1989;

**WHEREAS**, said MOA of March 10, 1989 expired last 1994, and there is a need to better and enhance the management, maintenance, and development approach for the Burnham Park Reservation;

**WHEREAS**, there is a strong clamor of the populace of Baguio City for the return of the Burnham Park Reservation for local management, maintenance, and administration;

**WHEREAS**, local management, maintenance and administration of the whole Burnham Park Reservation is just in line with the government's devolution program as mandated by the Constitution;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, hereby order:

**SECTION 1.** Transfer of Administration, Maintenance and Management. The administration, management, maintenance, and operation of the whole Burnham Park Reservation as defined and delineated under Presidential Decree No. 1762 dated January 6, 1981, including all the activities, facilities and improvements thereon, is hereby transferred to the City Government of Baguio.

**SECTION 2.** Sunshine Park. The Administration, management, maintenance, and operation of the present Sunshine Park including all the activities, facilities and improvements thereon, is likewise transferred and turned over to the City Government of Baguio.