

**[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 839 SERIES OF 1982,
October 26, 1982]**

**DIRECTING THE REORGANIZATION OF THE NATIONAL FOOD
AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, IN ORDER THAT A WIDER OUTREACH OF FARMERS AND CONSUMERS CAN BE PROVIDED WITH MARKET ASSISTANCE, THE FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE NATIONAL FOOD AUTHORITY (NFA) HAS BEEN EXPANDED TO COVER FOOD COMMODITIES OTHER THAN GRAINS;

WHEREAS, THERE ARISES A NEED TO ATTUNE THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE NFA TO THE DEMANDS OF ITS EXPANDED FUNCTIONS;

WHEREAS, REFORMS IN THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF NFA WILL ALSO PROMOTE EFFICIENCY WITHIN THE AUTHORITY;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES, BY VIRTUE OF THE POWERS VESTED IN ME BY THE CONSTITUTION, DO HEREBY ORDER AND DIRECT THE FOLLOWING:

SECTION 1. FOR PURPOSE OF THE REORGANIZATIONAL NEEDS, THE NFA COUNCIL IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO:

- A. GROUP, COORDINATE, CONSOLIDATE OR INTEGRATE POSITIONS AND FUNCTIONS IN THE NFA;
- B. CREATE, CLASSIFY AND ABOLISH POSITIONS; AND
- C. FIX SALARIES AND OTHER COMPENSATION OF NFA OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES.

SECTION 2. THE NFA COUNCIL SHALL LIKEWISE PROMULGATE THE NECESSARY IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES TO CARRY OUT THE REORGANIZATION, SUCH GUIDELINES TO INCLUDE THE INTERNAL ORGANIZATION OF UNITS AND OFFICES.

SECTION 3. ALL APPOINTMENTS TO BE MADE BY THE NFA COUNCIL UNDER THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER SHALL BE BASED ON MERIT AND FITNESS.

SECTION 4. HEREAFTER, ALL PERSONNEL ACTIONS IN THE NFA INCLUDING THE FIXING OF SALARIES AND OTHER COMPENSATION OF OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES, SHALL NOT BE SUBJECT TO THE REGULATIONS OF THE OFFICE OF COMPENSATION AND POSITION CLASSIFICATION.

SECTION 5. THIS EXECUTIVE ORDER SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.

DONE IN THE CITY OF MANILA, THIS 26TH DAY OF OCTOBER, IN THE YEAR OF OUR