

[PROCLAMATION NO. 1030, October 21, 2020]

DECLARING THE 8 TH OF SEPTEMBER OF EVERY YEAR AS THE "NATIONAL GREEN BUILDING DAY"

WHEREAS, Section 16, Article II of the Constitution provides that the State shall protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the above State policy, the Government, through the Department of Public Works and Highways adopted the Philippine Green Building Code through the issuance of National Building Code Development Office Memorandum Circular No. 1 (s. 2016), which provides for a framework of standards that are intended to reduce the country's carbon emissions from buildings, and promote the health and well-being of the building occupants;

WHEREAS, to promote sustainable development in the construction sector, it is imperative to intensify existing initiatives to promote and raise awareness on the efficient and equitable use of resources, proper water and waste management, and integration of eco-friendly processes and systems, among others; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to provide opportunities to encourage cooperation between the public and private sectors in advancing the government's commitment to protect the environment;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, do hereby declare the 8th of September of every year as the **"National Green Building Day,"**

The Department of Public Works and Highways, in coordination with relevant non-government organizations and civil society groups, shall promote the observance of the National Green Building Day, and identify the programs, projects and activities for the yearly celebration thereof.

All other agencies and instrumentalities of the National Government, including government-owned or -controlled corporations and state universities and colleges, are hereby directed, and all local government units, as well as the private sector, are hereby encouraged, to support the DPWH in the celebration of the "National Green Building Day" and the effective implementation of this Proclamation

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

DONE, in the City of Manila, this 21st day of October, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty.