

[PROCLAMATION NO. 164, February 21, 2017]

**DECLARING JANUARY 25 OF EVERY YEAR AS A DAY OF
NATIONAL REMEMBRANCE FOR THE HEROIC SACRIFICE OF THE
FORTY-FOUR UNIFORMED PERSONNEL OF THE PHILIPPINE
NATIONAL POLICE SPECIAL ACTION FORCE**

WHEREAS, on 25 January 2015, forty-four (44) uniformed personnel of the Philippine National Police Special Action Force (SAF 44) were killed in the line of duty while serving a warrant of arrest on a known terrorist in Mamasapano, Maguindanao;

WHEREAS, as the Nation honors the memory of the SAF 44, their heroism also serves as a constant reminder of the continuing sacrifices being made by our valiant uniformed men and women in the line of duty;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby proclaim the 25th day of January of every year as the Day of National Remembrance for the SAF 44.

I ask all our countrymen to remember the heroism of the SAF 44 and recall the daily sacrifices of our uniformed personnel for the sake of the continued peace and security of our Nation.

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 February in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seventeen.

(SGD.) **RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE**

By the President:

(SGD.) **SALVADOR C. MEDIALDEA**
Executive Secretary