

[PROCLAMATION NO. 382, May 26, 2003]

DECLARING SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2003 AS NATIONAL TRANSPORT DAY

WHEREAS, historically the transport sector has been instrumental in bringing about development to our country;

WHEREAS, there was no proper recognition yet accorded to the sector, even with their unwavering service to the public at all times;

WHEREAS, the transport sector comprises a large number in our society with the following classification and services rendered:

- truck for hire- 200,000 units nationwide hauling 20 tons of commodities per day
- tricycles-1.7 million nationwide
- more than 200 transport cooperative nationwide
- at NCR there are more than 160 jeepney shuttles
 - o intercity bus operators association-1479 units
 - o 25 bus companies with 7,000 employees
- FX Van Confederation - 45, 000 registered Luzon-wide with 90,000 dependents
- Provincial buses in active operation

WHEREAS, since our economy is highly dependent on the transport sector for progress, a Department of Transportation and Communications was created with different bureaus to oversee their operation and take care of their welfare.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Philippines, by the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare Sunday, June 1, 2003 as National Transport Day.

DONE, in the City of Manila this 26yh day of May, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

(Sgd.) GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO