

[**PROCLAMATION NO. 402, August 08, 2003**]

DECLARING THURSDAY, JUNE 12, 2003, AS A SPECIAL (NON-WORKING) DAY IN SILAY CITY

WHEREAS, "Independence Day" which is observed as regular holiday on June 12 of each year recognizes the patriotism and heroism of our countrymen, who struggled for freedom and democracy;

WHEREAS, the commemoration of "Independence Day" falls on a Thursday this year;

WHEREAS, by virtue of Proclamation No. 373, series of 2003, June 12, 2003 was declared a regular working day;

WHEREAS, June 12, 2003 marks the 46th Charter Day anniversary in Silay City;

WHEREAS, The City Government of Silay has lined up activities in connection with its 46th Charter Day anniversary to enliven the spirits of its constituents:

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the people of Silay City be given full opportunity to celebrate the occasion with appropriate ceremonies.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ALBERTO G. ROMULO, by order of Her Excellency, **GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO**, do hereby declare Thursday, June 12, 2003, as a special (non-working) day in Silay City, provided that the historical significance of "Independence Day" is maintained.

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 11th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

By order of the President:

(Sgd.) ALBERTO G. ROMULO
Executive Secretary

By the Executive Secretary:

(Sgd.) JOAQUIN C. LAGONERA
Senior Deputy Executive Secretary
