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TO: The Secretary of Public Works,

Transportation and Communications

The Commissioner of Public Highways

WHEREAS, one of the priority projects of the administration is the Manila Bay Coastal Road which will involve the reclamation and construction of roads from the Cultural Center to Parañaque and from Parañaque to Zapote, Cavite, as well as from Manila to Bataan;

WHEREAS, this project is of paramount importance to the national interest, as it will partly solve and meet the urgent transportation needs of the Manila Bay region; promote the dispersal of population and activities from the Metro Manila inner core and thus enhance the overall traffic condition in the Metro Manila, as well as provide very much needed land access for the development of the coastal areas, thus promoting economic growth within the region; and

WHEREAS, even existing contracts that may be affected by this priority project must give way to the national welfare and interest;

NOW,, THEREFORE, pursuant to General Order No. 1, and in order to achieve this project, which is of primordial national interest, you are hereby directed to implement immediately the construction and prosecution of this project to its successful completion.

For this purpose, you are authorized to secure the help of any police agency to maintain peace and order and/or to prevent anybody from obstructing or interfering with the smooth and speedy prosecution of this project.

This order shall be implemented immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 1st day of June, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and seventy-three.

(Sgd.) FERDINAND E. MARCOS

President

Republic of the Philippines

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