

PROCLAMATION NO. 502 RENAMING THE COUNCIL OF STATE ROOM, KALAYAAN HALL, MALACAÑANG PALACE AS THE ELPIDIO QUIRINO ROOM

PROCLAMATION NO. 502, November 16, 2003

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WHEREAS, Resolution No. 2 dated May 6, 1998 by the National Historical Institute and Presidential Decree No. 260 dated August 1, 1973, declared Malacañang Palace a National Historical Landmark;

WHEREAS, every past administration in the country reflects a particular period in our nation's rich history; and

WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that Malacañang Palace, residence and the office of the President of the Philippines should recognize and historic connection past presidents have with Malacañang Palace.

NOW, THEREFORE , I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, do hereby rename the Council of State Room, Kalayaan Hall, Malacañang Palace, as the Quirino Room, in recognition of the historic value of the room in which President Elpidio Quirino took his first oath of office on April 17, 1948, thereby serving as a tangible reminder of President Elpidio Quirino's service to the 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 16th day of November, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Three.

(Sgd.) GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO

By the President:

(Sgd.) ALBERTO G. ROMULO

Executive Secretary

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