

MANDATING THE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF ALL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES NATIONWIDE IN URBAN GREENING, THROUGH AN ADOPT-A-STREET/PARK PROGRAM

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 118, August 12, 1993

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WHEREAS, the massive expansion of built up areas and the substantial reduction of lowland vegetation precipitate the threatening concentration of air pollution particularly in the urban centers;

WHEREAS, social responsibility is a vital component of environmental protection;

WHEREAS, the bureaucracy, with its active labor force, is among the most potent sectors that can effectively and efficiently implement a rapid urban greening program; and

WHEREAS, in support of the government's Clean and Green Program, an active participation of the entire citizenry, especially the government sector, is highly necessary.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, upon recommendation of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, do hereby order and direct:

SECTION 1. Adopt-A-Street/Park Program. - All government offices, including their regional and field offices and the government-owned and controlled corporations, shall actively participate in urban greening through and Adopt-A-Street/Park Program (hereinafter referred to as the Program). This Program requires all government agencies, in coordination/cooperation with concerned local government units (LGUs), the private/business sectors, and non-governmental organizations, to adopt streets/parks within urban centers and assume the responsibility of greening them by planting the appropriate vegetation, using their respective manpower and other resources.

SEC. 2. Program Implementation. - The DENR, through its regional and field offices and in cooperation/coordination with all concerned agencies/sectors, shall manage/coordinate the implementation of the Program.

SEC. 3. Implementing Guidelines. - The DENR, in coordination with the Civil Service Commission, the Department of Public Works and Highways, the Department of Interior and Local Government, the Metro Manila Authority (in Metro Manila), the Clean and Green Program, and other concerned agencies, shall promulgate the necessary guidelines for the implementation of the Program.

SEC. 4. Budget. - The DENR shall set aside the necessary budget for the management/coordination of the Program.

SEC. 5. Effectivity. - This Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 12th day of August in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety three.

(Sgd.) FIDEL V. RAMOS
President of the Philippines

By the President:
(Sgd.) TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA
Executive Secretary

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