Proclamation No. 32 October 08, 1998

SUBJECT: Declaring the El Nido Marine

Reserve **Situated** in the Municipality of El Nido, Province of **Protected** Palawan as a Area Pursuant to Republic Act 7586 (National **Integrated Protected** Areas System [NIPAS] Act of 1992) to be Known as El Nido Managed

Resource Protected Area.

Upon recommendation of the Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources and pursuant to the powers vested upon me by law, I, JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA, President of the Republic of the Philippines, do hereby set aside and declare EL NIDO MARINE RESERVE, consisting of parcels of land and water situated in the Municipality of El Nido, Province of Palawan as a protected area under the category of Managed Resource Protected Area. As such, it would ensure a long-term protection and maintenance of biological diversity, while providing at the same time a sustainable flow of natural products and services to meet community needs. This proclamation is subject to private rights, including those of the Indigenous Peoples as provided for in Republic Act No. 8371, DENR Administrative Order 93-02 and other related rules and regulations.

The El Nido Managed Resource Protected Area shall have the following technical description, to wit:

Beginning at point marked "1" on DENR NIPAS Map No. 4B-04, at the NW side of Palawan mainland at Yokoton Bay near the

Locaroc Point at latitude 11°19'57.72" and longitude 119°27'11.88", thence;

(technical description omitted)

containing an area of 89,134.76 hectares, more or less, subject to actual ground survey.

The El Nido Managed Resource Protected Area shall be under the administrative jurisdiction of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources and shall be administered in accordance with Republic Act No. 7586 and other relevant laws, rules and regulations.

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 8th day of October in the year of our Lord Nineteen hundred and ninety-eight.

(Sgd.) JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA President

By the President:

(Sgd.) RONALDO B. ZAMORA

Executive Secretary