

**Proclamation  
No. 79  
February 24, 1999**

**SUBJECT : Declaring June 4 to 10 of Every  
Year as Philippine Eagle Week.**

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Eagle, the country's national bird, is nationally and internationally recognized as a critically endangered bird;

**WHEREAS**, despite this national and international recognition of its dire conservation status, the Philippine Eagle continues to be caught for illicit trade and as a prize catch;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to instill into the minds of the Filipino people the importance of the Philippine Eagle as a biological indicator of the forest ecosystems, as a national symbol, and as a unique heritage;

**WHEREAS**, a unified and concerted efforts among all sectors of the society is needed to ensure the protection and perpetuation of the species;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA**, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, , do hereby declare June 4 to 10 of every year as Philippine Eagle Week.

Pursuant thereto, all government offices, agencies and instrumentalities are hereby urged to implement certain activities focusing on the Philippine Eagle and its habitat at least during the celebration of the Philippine Eagle Week (PEW). All non-government organizations, private companies or corporations, people's organizations, academic and scientific institutions and all

other interested parties are also encouraged to participate in the yearly celebration of the PEW.

**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 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety nine.

**(Sgd.) JOSEPH EJERCITO ESTRADA**  
President

By the President:

**(Sgd.) RONALDO B. ZAMORA**  
Executive Secretary