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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

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PROCLAMATION NO. 574

DECLARING FRANCISCO ARCELLANA AS NATIONAL ARTIST

WHEREAS, the Constitution provides for State patronage of the arts and letters;

WHEREAS, the category known as National Artist was created under Proclamation No. 1001, dated April 27, 1972;

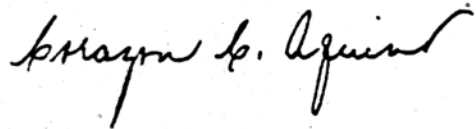
WHEREAS, preeminent achievements deserve the recognition and acknowledgment of our Government in pursuit of its policy of preserving and developing Filipino culture and a national identity;

WHEREAS, the works, and achievements of Francisco Arcellana in the field of literature are reflective of his preeminent excellence, and of that national genius that contributes to the artistic heritage of the Philippines and the world;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORAZON C. AQUINO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, and upon recommendation of the Cultural Center of the Philippines, and the Presidential Commission on Culture and the Arts, and pursuant to Proclamation No. 1001, do hereby declare Francisco Arcellana as National Artist.

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 23rd day of May in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety.



By the President:



CATALINO MACARAIG, JR.  
Executive Secretary