

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 45

DECLARING OCTOBER 24, 2010 AND EVERY YEAR THEREAFTER AS
"BATTLE OF SIBUYAN SEA DAY"

WHEREAS, on October 24, 1944, Filipino and Allied soldiers fought off Japanese invaders in the Battle of Sibuyan Sea;

WHEREAS, the Battle of Sibuyan Sea is one of the four (4) major battles in the historic Battle of Leyte Gulf, which was easily considered as one of the largest naval battle in history;

WHEREAS, events like this should be mentioned with reverence in our schools and should form as an integral part of our country's rich history;

WHEREAS, by remembering the battles fought by our forefathers in the name of freedom can further appreciate the importance of our liberty and independence.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO C. AQUINO III, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare October 24, 2010 and every year thereafter as the "Battle of Sibuyan Sea Day", and order the Department of Education, National Historical Commission of the Philippines, and all other pertinent government agencies to rectify history herewith in their respective institutional capacities.

DONE in the City of Manila, this 4th day of October, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.



By the President:



PAQUITO N. OCHOA
Executive Secretary

