

**PROCLAMATION  
NO. 319**

**DECLARING THE BONGSANGLAY MANGROVE  
FOREST RESERVE SITUATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY  
OF BATUAN, PROVINCE OF MASBATE, ISLAND OF  
LUZON AS PROTECTED AREA PURSUANT TO  
REPUBLIC ACT 7586 (NIPAS ACT OF 1992) AND SHALL  
BE KNOWN AS BONGSANGLAY NATURAL PARK**

Upon recommendation of the Secretary of the Department 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 Bongsanglay Mangrove Forest Reserve situated in the Municipality of Batuan, Province of Masbate, Island of Luzon as Protected Area under the category of Natural Park subject to private rights and without prejudice to the rights of the indigenous peoples as provided for in R.A. 8371, DENR Administrative Order 93-02 and other related rules and regulations, if any, as described in DENR, NIPAS Map No. R5-13.

Beginning at point marked "1" on the map being identical to latitude 12°21'25" and longitude 123°48'00".

Thence N. 71°30'W.	640.0 m. to corner 2;
Thence N. 26°00'W.	385.0 m. to corner 3;
Thence N. 39°45'W.	385.0 m. to corner 4;
Thence N. 27°11'W.	180.0 m. to corner 5;
Thence Due West	176.0 m. to corner 6;
Thence N. 02°32'E.	160.0 m. to corner 7;
Thence N. 53°00'W.	285.0 m. to corner 8;
Thence N. 15°30'W.	95.0 m. to corner 9;
Thence N. 13°55'E.	125.0 m. to corner 10;
Thence N. 06°30'W.	120.0 m. to corner 11;
Thence N. 14°00'E.	205.0 m. to corner 12;
Thence N. 25°00'W.	345.0 m. to corner 13;
Thence N. 40°00'E.	310.0 m. to corner 14;
Thence N. 57°55'W.	190.0 m. to corner 15;
Thence N. 17°30'W.	180.0 m. to corner 16;
Thence N. 23°00'E.	90.0 m. to corner 17;

Thence N. 44°00'E. 250.0 m. to corner 18;  
Thence N. 68°00' E. 115.0 m. to corner 19;  
Thence S. 76°11'E. 175.0 m. to corner 20;  
Thence S. 32°30'E. 75.0 m. to corner 21;  
Thence S. 83°00'E. 125.0 m. to corner 22;  
Thence Due East 970.0 m. to corner 23;  
Thence S. 03°00'E. 1570.0 m. to corner 24;  
Thence S. 03°05'W. 1319.0 m. to corner 1;

to the point of beginning containing an area of Two Hundred Forty-Four and 721/100 (244.721) Hectares, more or less, subject to actual ground survey.

It shall be under the administrative jurisdiction of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and shall be administered in accordance to the provisions of the NIPAS Act.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I** have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines.

Done in the City of Manila, this 31st day of May, in the year of our Lord, two thousand.