



City of Columbia

A Proclamation

WHEREAS, Filipino-Americans have made many valuable contributions to Columbia and they continue to influence and enrich our city economically, socially and intellectually. The Filipino-American population has been instrumental in enhancing cultural diversity, and education; and

WHEREAS, the Filipino-American Association of Greater Columbia (FAAGC) is a non-profit organization that was started in June of 1991 to bring awareness, understanding, and promote cultural diversity in the Midlands; and

WHEREAS, the FAAGC has donated funds to organizations in need that support education and cultural activities in Columbia and abroad such as the Hospicio de San Jose, a Manila orphanage; and

WHEREAS, the FAAGC has participated in many area city-wide events through the years including the Carolina Carillon, Columbia International Festival, and Kids Day;

WHEREAS, the FAAGC is currently raising funds to build their own cultural center to serve as a resource for the community to learn about the Philippines and its culture.

NOW, THEREFORE I, Robert D. Coble, Mayor of the City of Columbia, South Carolina, along with my fellow members of Columbia City Council, do hereby proclaim August 29, 2009, as

Filipino-American Day

in the City of Columbia and urge my fellow citizens to recognize and participate in its observance.

Robert D. Coble
Mayor



Kirkman Finlay, III
District IV Council Member

