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MERGER OF THE COLLEGE OF NURSING AND SCHOOL OF NURSING OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE PHILIPPINES.

WHEREAS, there are at present two schools of nursing in the University of the Philippines System, namely, the School of Nursing at the Philippine General Hospital created under Act No. 2467 and the College of Nursing created by the Board of Regents of the University 1948;

WHEREAS, the continued operation of the two units offering practically the same courses while requiring the administrative and academic bodies is economically wasteful and administratively cumbersome, and therefore, not properly promotive of educational goals of the New Society;

WHEREAS, considerations of efficiency and economy, as well as modern trends in nursing education establish the advantages of only one College of Nursing in the University.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby Order:

SECTION 1. The School of Nursing of the Philippine General Hospital and the College of Nursing of the University of the Philippines are hereby merged into one unit which shall hereafter be called the College of Nursing of the University of the Philippines System.

SECTION 2. There shall be close coordination between the College of Nursing and the Philippine General Hospital in the areas of practical training, patient care and research.

SECTION 3. The College of Nursing shall be under the supervision and control of the Board of Regents, University of the Philippines System. Its administrative set-up, curriculum, and faculty appointments shall be made under such rules as the Board of Regents may adopt.

SECTION 4. The Board of Regents of the University of the Philippines System may authorize the establishment of scholarships in the College of Nursing covering free tuition, and a board and subsistence assistance in accordance with such rules as it may adopt.

SECTION 5. The University of the Philippines shall provide for the budgetary outlay of the College of Nursing; however, the Philippine General Hospital may contribute thereto in furtherance of the clinical training and educational programs of the hospital, provided that the intended purpose is to evolve and enhance the patient-care objectives of the hospital, the extent of which shall be determined by the