[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 350, May 31, 1941]

ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC ASSISTANCE SERVICE UNDER THE BUREAU OF PUBLIC WELFARE TO TAKE OVER THE RELIEF AND OTHER ACTIVITIES OF THE ASSOCIATED CHARITIES OF THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, it is not generally known that the help given to indigent persons by the Associated Charities of the Philippines comes from the Government;

WHEREAS, it is desirable that the general public should be informed of the efforts of the Government in promoting the welfare of its citizens, especially the needy; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the Associated Charities of the Philippines has signified its willingness to place in the hands of the President of the Philippines the future of the organization for the best interest of the class of people whom it serves as well as that of the Government;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MANUEL L. QUEZON, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers in me vested by law, do ordain and promulgate the following:

- 1. There is hereby established a Public Assistance Service under the direct administrative supervision and control of the Director of Public Welfare, to assume the relief and other activities now being performed by the Associated Charities of the Philippines.
- 2. The Secretary of Health and Public Welfare is hereby directed to take the necessary steps towards the transfer to the Public Assistance Service the activities, personnel, properties, unexpended balances, records, equipment and supplies pertaining to the Associated Charities of the Philippines, especially those which correspond to the funds that have been donated to the Associated Charities by the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes.
- 3. Hereafter, any fund which the Government, through the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes or any of its branches, subdivisions, agencies, or instrumentalities may provide for the activities above referred to, shall be given to the Public Assistance Service instead of to the Associated Charities of the Philippines.

Done at the City of Baguio, this 31st day of May, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-one and of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, the sixth.

(Sgd.) MANUEL L. QUEZONPresident of the Philippines

By the President: