

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 128, November 16, 1937]

USE OF FAMILY SURNAMES IN THE CENSUS OF THE PHILIPPINES

For the purpose of expediency in the taking of the census of population and agriculture which will begin on Census Day, April sixteenth, nineteen hundred and thirty-eight, I, Manuel L. Quezon, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers in me vested by Commonwealth Act Numbered One hundred seventy, do hereby order that all persons to be enumerated in the Census of the Philippines, shall be recorded using the proper name by which they are known locally, followed by their paternal and maternal surnames: Provided, That persons who bear only the proper name without surnames, shall be enumerated using such proper name followed by a surname to be selected by the person concerned, or in lieu thereof, the name of the father and that of the mother shall be used as paternal and maternal surnames, respectively. Thereafter, the person concerned may use the adopted surnames for all public and private purposes.

Done at the City of Manila, this sixteenth day of November in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and thirty-seven, and of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, the third.

(Sgd.) MANUEL L. QUEZON
President of the Philippines

By the President:

(Sgd.) ELPIDIO QUIRINO
Secretary of the Interior



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