[PRC BOARD FOR LIBRARIANS RESOLUTION NO. 3, S. 2000, August 01, 2000]

ALLOWING GRADUATES OF THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (BSEED) WITH EIGHTEEN (18) UNITS OF LIBRARY SCIENCE TO TAKE THE LICENSURE EXAMINATION FOR LIBRARIANS

WHEREAS, one of the qualifications that must be possessed by an applicant for examination as librarian as required in par. d (3) Sec. 13 of R.A. 6966 is that the applicant must be a Bachelor of Science in Education degree holder with major/specialization;

WHEREAS, the Ministry of Education, Culture and Sports (MECS) now Department of Education, Culture and Sports (DECS) issued MECS Order No. 26 dated November 26, 1983 (Re: Policies and Standards for Teacher Education) and MECS Order No. 37, s. 1986 (Re: Amendment to MECS Order Education Curriculum;

WHEREAS, the Teacher Education Curriculum has included a content area of specialization components that will equip the teacher with greater and in-depth knowledge of the contents and skills in the field of specialization.

WHEREAS, to equip the teachers with the skills in their field of specialization, the Philippine Normal College (PNC) now Philippine Normal University (PNU) adopted the library Science Specialization Program which was started in 1957 in response to the demand of the teacher-librarians employed in public elementary and high schools to prepare them for library duties and responsibilities and make them capable of managing the schools' libraries;

WHEREAS, the then PNC (now PNU) Board of Trustees on March 27, 1957 approved a Library Education curriculum for Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education (BSEED) for students with eighteen (18) units of Library Science subjects which later on was increased to twenty-one (21) units and the completion of which entitles a student to a certificate in Library Science;

WHEREAS, this program was later opened to BSEE graduates who are already teaching and may want Library Science as their field of specialization and those who complete the program are given the certificate and the transcript of records;

WHEREAS, under par. d (3) of Sec, 13 of R.A. 6966, only holders of Bachelor of Science in Education with major/specialization in Library Science are allowed to take the examination for Librarians and the said provision failed to include holders of the degree of Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education with specialization in Library Science or have completed the PNU Library Science Specialization Program and are, therefore, qualified to take the examination;

WHEREAS, these elementary teachers who have been designated as teacherlibrarians to manage these elementary schools' libraries established pursuant to the