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DESIGNATING THE PERIOD FROM JULY 1 TO AUGUST 15, 1956, AS THE PERIOD FOR THE NATIONAL FUND CAMPAIGN OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF THE PHILIPPINES IN PLACES OUTSIDE OF GREATER MANILA

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of the Philippines, a public corporation created under Commonwealth Act No. Ill for the purpose of promoting the character development and citizenship training of the youth of the land, has more than amply demonstrated that it merits the continued moral encouragement and material support of our people and that there is a great need for this organization to make the Scouting Program available to the thousands of boys all over the Philippines;

WHEREAS, said organization is in need of funds to carry out its operations effectively, to intensify its nation-wide training and recruiting program so that the great number of boys of scout age seeking admission into the organization may be enrolled, to plan and promote other programs of activity for the greater benefit of its members, and to meet its obligations as a member of the Boy Scouts International Bureau; and

WHEREAS, the annual campaign, aside from offering us an opportunity to give tangible expression of our appreciation for the good work being done by the Boy Scouts of the Philippines, affords a means by which .we can meet a civic obligation by helping this organization train and mould every boy in the land to be a patriotic, God-fearing, upright, clean, and responsible citizen;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ramon Magsaysay, President of the Philippines, do hereby designate and set aside the period from July 1 to August 15, 1956 for the Boy Scouts of the Philippines to conduct its 1956 Fund Campaign in the provinces and territories outside of Greater Manila and raise funds for the attainment of its avowed aims and purposes. I call upon all government officials and employees and all citizens and residents of the Philippines outside of Greater Manila to assist in this campaign and to give it their entire support so that the Boy Scouts of the Philippines may be assured of funds that will enable it to carry on its work and administer its program to as many of our boys of scout age as possible. I also authorize all national authorities and teachers to accept for the Boy Scouts of the Philippines, fund-raising responsibilities and urge them to give active support and leadership in their respective communities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

Done in the City of Manila, this 25th day of January, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-six, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the tenth.