[PROCLAMATION No. 104, January 05, 1955]

DECLARING THE PERIOD FROM FEBRUARY 14 TO MARCH 31, 1955, AS THE TIME FOR THE EIGHTH ANNUAL FUND CAMPAIGN OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL RED CROSS

WHEREAS, the Philippine National Red Cross, officially designated and created by Republic Act No. 95 as the body corporate and politic to assist the Republic of the Philippines in discharging its obligations set forth in the Geneva Red Cross Convention and to perform other functions vested upon a national Red Cross society, has no regular source of funds with which to carry out its duties and responsibilities, except the voluntary contributions through personal solicitation campaigns conducted by its chapters in accordance with its Charter; and

WHEREAS, said organization has time and again proven itself as an indispensable institution in helping the government promote our people's welfare, especially in times of emergency and calamity, thereby serving as the united expression of our national spirit of compassion and universal sentiments for peace and understanding ;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ramon Magsaysay, President of the Philippines, do hereby declare the period from February 14 to March 31, 1955, as the time for the Eighth Annual Fund Campaign of the Philippine National Red Cross. I urge all citizens and residents of this country, irrespective of creed or color, as well as all civic-spirited associations and organizations, to lend a hand in this campaign by giving generously according to their means and circumstances to help realize the aims and purposes of the Philippine National Red Cross.

I authorize all national, provincial, city and municipal government officials and school authorities to accept, for the Philippine National Red Cross, fund-raising responsibilities, and urge them to take the initiative and active 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 5th day of January, in the year of Our Lord,; nineteen hundred and fifty-five, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the ninth.

RAMON MAGSAYSAY President of the Philippines

By the President: