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DESIGNATING THE PERIOD FROM AUGUST 19 TO SEPTEMBER 19, 1949 AS "ANTI-TUBERCULOSIS MONTH" AND AUTHORIZING THE PHILIPPINE TUBERCULOSIS SOCIETY TO CONDUCT A NATIONAL FUND AND EDUCATIONAL DRIVE DURING THE SAID PERIOD.

WHEREAS, the campaign against tuberculosis in the Philippines must be carried on year after year through the concerted efforts of all the people in order to advance further the progress so far achieved in the prevention and control of this dreadful disease;

WHEREAS, to enable the Philippine Tuberculosis Society to prosecute more vigorously and extensively the all-important task of combating this constant threat to the health, economic security and general welfare of the people, said Society should be provided with the needed funds and other forms of assistance from the public; and

WHEREAS, education of the masses is one of the most effective means of controlling the ravages of tuberculosis;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elpidio Quirino, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, do hereby designate the period from August 10 to September 19, 1949, as "Anti-Tuberculosis Month" and authorize the Philippine Tuberculosis Society to conduct a national fund and educational drive during said period. I call upon all citizens and residents of the Philippines, irrespective of nationality or creed, to assist in this humanitarian campaign by giving generously so that we may keep this dreadful disease under control. I authorize all the treasurers of provincial, city, and municipal governments as well as school officials to accept, for the Philippine Tuberculosis Society, voluntary contributions and donations and to issue official receipts therefor.

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 22nd day of July, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-nine, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the second.

ELPIDIO QUIRINO President of the Philippines

By the President: TEODORO EVANGELISTA Executive Secretary