

[PROCLAMATION NO. 21, January 13, 1947]

DESIGNATING THE PERIOD FROM FEBRUARY 15 TO MARCH 15, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FORTY-SEVEN, AS THE PERIOD FOR THE NATIONAL FUND CAMPAIGN OF THE BOY SCOUTS OF THE PHILIPPINES.

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of the Philippines, a public corporation created under Commonwealth Act No. 111 for the purpose of promoting the character development and citizenship training of Filipino youth, plans to conduct a nationwide campaign for funds with which to maintain, add to, expand or otherwise develop essential services necessary for the accomplishment of its mission;

WHEREAS, the past achievements of the Organization in advancing the sound physical, mental and moral growth of Filipino boys have emphasized the need for our people to give it their continued moral encouragement and material support so that it may be able to carry on its work effectively and continuously in the face of all the serious handicaps under which our children live today;

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of the Philippines is in need of funds to carry on its normal operations; to intensify its training and recruitment program so that Scouting would become available to the other thousands of Filipino boys who should be enrolled in the Organization; to plan and promote other programs of activity for the greater benefit of its members; and to meet obligations as they arise under its new status as a full-fledged member of the International Bureau of the Boy Scout Movement;

WHEREAS, the proposed fund campaign offers a distinct opportunity for the people to express, in a concrete way, their appreciation for the good work being done by the Organization, and to secure for it the means by which it can reach and train every boy in the land in the ways of responsible, patriotic and God-fearing citizenship;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Manuel Roxas, President of the Philippines, do hereby designate and set aside the period from February 15 to March 15, 1947, as a special one for the conduct of the 1947 National Fund Campaign of the Boy Scouts of the Philippines, to raise funds for the purposes above mentioned. Further, I call upon all government officials and employees, all citizens and residents of the Philippines in every part of the Philippines and in every walk of life to assist in this campaign and to give their special and general support so that the organization may be assured of funds to carry on its work in every nook and corner of the land and administer its program to the greatest possible number of our youths of Scout age.

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