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DESIGNATING THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 2 TO JANUARY 31, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FORTY-NINE, 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. Ill for the purpose of promoting character development and citizenship training among the youth of the Philippines, conducts an annual nation-wide campaign for funds with which to realize its avowed aims, including the development and expansion of essential services necessary for the accomplishment of its mission;

WHEREAS, the Organization 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 it to make the Scouting program available to the thousands of boys all over the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the Boy Scouts of the Philippines is in need of funds to carry on its normal operations effectively; to intensify its training and recruitment 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 benefits of its members, and to meet its obligations as a member of a great international association; and

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

Now, therefore, I, Elpidio Quirino, President of the Philippines, do hereby set aside the period from January 2 to January 31,1949, for the Boy Scouts of the Philippines to conduct its 1949 National Fund Campaign and raise funds for the attainment of its aims and purposes. I call upon all Government officials and employees and all citizens and residents of the Philippines to assist in this campaign and to give to 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 youth of Scout age as possible.

In witness thereof, 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 21st day of December, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-eight, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the third.