

# [ **PRESIDENTIAL DECREE NO. 202, June 02, 1973** ]

## **AMENDING SECTIONS FOUR AND FIFTEEN OF REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED FOUR THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED SEVENTY FOUR, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "GEODETIC ENGINEERING LAW."**

**WHEREAS**, the Philippines is presently engaged in an expanded land reform requiring massive cadastral and public land subdivision surveys which are the basic requirements in the perfection of rights over the areas;

**WHEREAS**, it is imperative that technical men especially trained in geodetic and photogrammetric surveying and mapping shall be utilized in this social reform program to undertake the land capability surveys as well as the planning and programming of economic development of the country through surveying and mapping;

**WHEREAS**, there is an urgent need to make some courses especially in the field of technology relevant to the goals and objectives of the Government and to produce technical men to meet the immediate needs of the Government and the private sector in the field of surveying;

**WHEREAS**, there is currently a shortage of qualified geodetic engineers to perform geodetic engineering, surveying and/or mapping activities on land property and public land subdivision surveys as well as land reform mapping on rice and corn lands throughout the country;

**WHEREAS**, few colleges and universities are not offering courses leading to the Bachelor's degree in geodetic engineering due to lack of students enrolling in the course; and

**WHEREAS**, there are graduates with the title of Associate in Surveying and civil engineering undergraduates who do not qualify to take the board examination for geodetic engineers, but competent to undertake mapping and land survey work;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, FERDINAND E. MARCOS**, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers in me vested by the Constitution as Commander-in-Chief of all the Armed Forces of the Philippines, and pursuant to Proclamation No. 1081, dated September 21, 1972, and General Order No. 1, dated September 22, 1972, as amended, and Proclamation No. 1103, dated January 17, 1973, and in order to effect the desired changes and reforms in the social, economic and political structures of our society, do hereby order and decree the amendment of Republic Act No. 4374, as follows:

**SECTION 1.** Section four of Republic Act Numbered Four Thousand Three Hundred Seventy-Four is hereby amended by adding a sub-paragraph to read as follows:

**"SEC. 4. — x x x**

(i) Give two kinds of examinations, namely:

1. Junior Geodetic Engineer; and
2. Geodetic Engineer"