[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 455, August 22, 2005]

TRANSFERRING THE SUPERVISION AND CONTROL OF THE PHILIPPINE CHARITY SWEEPSTAKES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, on 8 November 2004, the President issued Executive Order No. 386 placing the Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office ('PCSO) under the control and supervision of the Department of Social Welfare and Development ("DSWD");

WHEREAS, pursuant to its charter, the PCSO is the principal government agency in charge of raising and providing funds for health programs, medical assistance and services and charities of national character;

WHEREAS, the Department of Health ("DOH") is primarily responsible for the formulation, planning, implementation and coordination of policies and programs in the field of health, with the primary function of promoting, protecting, preserving or restoring the health of the people through the provision and delivery of health services and through the regulation and encouragement of providers of health goods and services;

WHEREAS, to facilitate coordination of policies and programs between these agencies with a few to ensuring the effective and aggressive implementation of the health programs of the government, it is necessary and practical to transfer control and supervision over the PCSO from DSWD to the DOH;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office shall hereby be placed under the supervision and control of the Department of Health.

SEC. 2. All orders, rules, regulations and issuances or parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SEC. 3. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 22nd day of August, in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Five.

(SGD.) GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO

President of the Philippines

By the President: