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CREATING THE PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, it is State policy, under Section 13, Article 11 of the 1987 Constitution that "The State recognizes the vital role of the youth in nation-building and shall promote and protect their physical, moral, spiritual, intellectual, and social well-being. It shall inculcate in the youth patriotism and nationalism, and encourage their involvement in public and civic affairs;"

WHEREAS, in pursuance of the aforesaid policy, there is a need to establish an office which shall serve as a direct link of the youth to the government in policy and programs formulation and implementation addressed to their needs;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORAZON C. AQUINI, President of the Philippines, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. There is hereby created the Presidential Council for Youth Affairs, hereinafter referred to as the Council, under the Office of the President.

SECTION 2. The Council shall be composed of a Chairman and four (4) members to be appointed by the President. The Council members shall be at least twenty-one (21) years of age, but not older than thirty (30) years of age. The Council members must be of good moral character, must not have been convicted of any crime involving moral turpitude, and must have occupied a position or responsibility and leadership in established youth organizations. The Chairman and members shall serve at the pleasure of the President

SECTION 3. The Council shall have the following functions and responsibilities

(a) To recommend to the Office of the President, youth development projects and programs, in coordination and consultation with the youth sector and the concerned government departments and agencies.

(b) To communicate and consult with the proper government department, on matters within the specific department's areas of interest and concern;

(c) To set-up a consultative mechanism which shall provide a forum for continuing dialogue between the government and the youth sector on the proper planning and evaluation of programs and projects affecting the youth;

(d) To conduct research and studies on youth related matters and concerns;

(e) To participate in international functions requiring youth participation and implement foreign-sponsored youth projects, endorsed and assigned to it by