[PROCLAMATION NO. 967, February 10, 2015]

DECLARING THE DAY OF 16 NOVEMBER 2015 AS "PRESIDENT ELPIDIO QUIRINO DAY" IN COMMEMORATION OF HIS 125 TH BIRTH ANNIVERSARY AND DIRECTING THE NATIONAL HISTORICAL COMMISSION OF THE PHILIPPINES TO LEAD THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES

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NOW, THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the day of 16 November 2015 as "President Elpidio Quirino Day" in commemoration of his 125th birth anniversary.

The National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP) is hereby designated as the lead agency for the celebration of the 125th birth anniversary. The NHCP may convene an inter-agency task force to plan, coordinate and effectively implement all programs, projects and activities related to this event.

All departments, agencies, bureaus, offices, national government agencies, local government units or government-owned or -controlled corporations, as well as