

[PROCLAMATION NO. 186, December 19, 1963]

**DECLARING THE PERIOD FROM JANUARY 15 TO MARCH 31,
1964, AS THE TIME FOR THE SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL FUND
CAMPAIGN OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL RED CROSS**

WHEREAS, the Philippine National Red Cross, the body corporate and politic duly created and officially designated by Republic Act No. 95, as amended by Republic Act No. 855, to assist the Republic of the Philippines in discharging its obligations set forth in the Geneva Convention and to perform other functions inherent in a national Red Cross Society, depends upon voluntary public contributions to carry out its unties and responsibilities;

WHEREAS, in 1964 the Red Cross enters into its second century of service to all humanity and of its international encompassing program to mitigate suffering, prevent disease, and. promote the health of all mankind; and

WHEREAS, the said organization has, through unstinted labor in achieving the objectives of the Red Cross, proven itself an indispensable institution in the promotion of public welfare, especially in times of emergency, symbolizing our national spirit of compassion and our aspirations for world peace and understanding;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Diosdado Macapagal, President of the Philippines, do hereby declare the period from January 15 to March 31, 1964, as the time for the seventeenth Annual Fund Campaign of the Philippine National Reel Cross. I urge all citizens and residents of this country, as well as all associations and organizations, to help actively in this campaign by giving generously of their means, time, and efforts to realize the aims and purpose of the Philippine National Red Cross.

I authorize all national, provincial, city, municipal, and barrio government officials and school authorities, to accept Philippine National Red Cross fund-raising responsibilities, and urge them to take the initiative and active leadership in their respective communities.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, 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 19th day of December, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and sixty-three.

DIOSDADO MACAPAGAL
President of the Philippines

By the President:

SALVADOR L. MARIÑO
Acting Executive Secretary