

[PROCLAMATION NO. 540, October 18, 1958]

**DECLARING THE PERIOD FROM FEBRUARY 14 TO MARCH 31,
1959, AS THE TIME FOR THE TWELFTH 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 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 solely upon voluntary public contributions to carry out its duties and responsibilities; and

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

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Carlos P. Garcia, President of the Philippines, do hereby declare the period from February 14 to March 31, 1959, as the time for the Twelfth Annual Fund Campaign of the Philippine National Red 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 purposes of the Philippine National Red Cross.

I authorize all national, provincial, city, and municipal government officials and school authorities to accept for the 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 18th day of October, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-eight, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the thirteenth.

CARLOS P. GARCIA
President of the Philippines

By the President:

JUAN C. PAJO
Executive Secretary
