

## [ PROCLAMATION NO. 56, August 14, 1954 ]

### DECLARING THURSDAY, AUGUST 19, 1954, AS A SPECIAL PUBLIC HOLIDAY

WHEREAS, the seventy-sixth anniversary of the birth of the late President Manuel L. Quezon falls on Thursday, August 19, 1954;

WHEREAS, his life having been dedicated to the service of his country and people, it is but fit and proper that we commemorate his birthday; and

WHEREAS, the nineteenth day of August of every year is also Citizenship Day under Proclamation No. 331 dated August 4, 1952;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Ramon Magsaysay, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by section 30 of the Revised Administrative Code, do hereby declare Thursday, August 19, 1954, as a special public holiday. I enjoin the observance of the day with appropriate ceremonies which would inculcate upon our people, especially the youth, the rights and duties of good citizenship to the end that they will consecrate themselves to the ideals and traditions of our Republic.

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 14th day of August, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-four, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the ninth.

RAMON MAGSAYSAY  
*President of the Philippines*

By the President:

FRED RUIZ CASTRO  
*Executive Secretary*



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