

[PROCLAMATION NO. 399, June 26, 1953]

**AUTHORIZING THE PHILIPPINE TUBERCULOSIS SOCIETY TO
CONDUCT A NATIONAL FUND AND EDUCATIONAL DRIVE DURING
THE PERIOD FROM AUGUST 19 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 1953.**

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of public health and welfare that the fight against tuberculosis be persistently pursued with a view to improving, whenever possible, upon the progress thus far attained in the control and prevention of this dreadful disease;

WHEREAS, towards the achievement of this very laudable objective, in which the Philippine Tuberculosis Society continues to play a vital role, the Society needs to replenish its funds to be able to carry on its essential activities; and

WHEREAS, a more intensified educational campaign among our people is likewise necessary, at least once a year, to build up more firmly public-mindedness as regards tuberculosis, its causes and effects upon the individual and national welfare;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Elpidio Quirino, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, do hereby authorize the Philippine Tuberculosis Society to conduct a national fund and educational drive during the period from August 19 to September 30, 1953. I call upon all citizens and residents of the Philippines, irrespective of nationality or creed, to assist in this humanitarian campaign by giving generously of their means so that we may keep this dreadful disease under control.

I authorize all the treasurers of provincial, city, and municipal governments as well as school officials to accept, for the Philippine Tuberculosis Society, voluntary contributions and donations and to issue official receipts therefor.

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 26th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-three, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the seventh.

ELPIDIO QUIRINO
President of the Philippines

By the President:

MARCIANO ROQUE
Acting Executive Secretary
