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WASHINGTON, D. C.

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION No. 1-W

PROCLAIMING A STATE OF MOURNING IN MEM-  
ORY OF THE DEATH OF HIS EXCELLENCY,  
MANUEL LUIS QUEZON, PRESIDENT OF THE  
PHILIPPINES.

WHEREAS His Excellency, Manuel Luis Quezon, Pres-  
ident of the Philippines, died in Saranac Lake in the State  
of New York, United States of America on the morning  
of Tuesday, August first, at five minutes after ten o'clock;  
and

WHEREAS His Excellency, Manuel Luis Quezon, was the  
first President of the Philippines, remaining in this posi-  
tion for nearly nine years with honor and distinction to  
himself, to his country, and to the Filipino people; and

WHEREAS the death of Manuel Luis Quezon comes as a  
great sorrow and an irreparable loss to his family and  
friends and as a national bereavement to the Government  
and people of the Philippines; and

WHEREAS it is of national importance, as a mark of  
respect to the memory of President Quezon, that a state  
of mourning be declared;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sergio Osmeña, President of the  
Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the  
Constitution, do hereby proclaim and designate the period  
from the first of August to the first of September of this  
year a state of national mourning for all citizens of the  
Philippines everywhere; and do hereby direct:

That the national flag of the Philippines be displayed at half-mast on all public buildings of the Commonwealth of the Philippines during this period.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Philippines to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington, District of Columbia, this first day of August, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-four, and of the Commonwealth of the Philippines, the ninth.

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SERGIO OSMEÑA

*President of the Philippines*