

MALACAÑAN PALACE
MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 50

DECLARING THE PERIOD FROM FEBRUARY 1 TO FEBRUARY 29,
1948, AS THE PERIOD FOR THE FIRST ANNUAL FUND
CAMPAIGN OF THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL RED CROSS.

WHEREAS, on February 14, 1947, the Republic of
the Philippines proclaimed its adherence to the Geneva
Red Cross Convention;

WHEREAS, the Philippine National Red Cross is the
body corporate and politic created and officially de-
signated under Republic Act No. 95 as the voluntary
organization to assist the Republic of the Philippines
in discharging the obligations set forth in said Geneva
Red Cross Convention and to perform such other duties
as are incumbent upon a national Red Cross society;

WHEREAS, the Philippine National Red Cross, being
now an independent organization recognized by the Inter-
national Red Cross, has to carry out not only its local
program of health and welfare but also its international
obligation to assist in promoting, through mutual assist-
ance and cooperation, better understanding and sympathy
among the peoples of the world;

WHEREAS, the Philippine National Red Cross is today
rendering invaluable aid to Filipino veterans and to hos-
pitalized members of the Armed Forces of the Philippines,
and has contributed and continues to contribute to the
health, welfare and safety of our people through its serv-
ice programs in Disaster Relief, Nursing Service, Home
Service, Junior Red Cross, First Aid, Life Saving and other
related activities;

WHEREAS, the Philippine National Red Cross has no
regular source of income to carry out the above-mentioned
services and responsibilities except the voluntary con-
tributions obtained through personal solicitation campaigns
conducted by its Chapters, as prescribed in its Congressional
Charter;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MANUEL ROXAS, President of the Phil-
ippines, do hereby declare the period from February 1 to
February 29, 1948, as the period for the First Annual Fund
Campaign of the Philippine National Red Cross, and I call

upon all citizens and residents of the Philippines, irrespective of nationality or creed, as well as upon all public-spirited organizations to support this campaign and to give generously of their means, time and personal services in furtherance of the aims and ends of the Philippine National Red Cross. I also authorize all provincial, city, and municipal government officials and school authorities to accept, for the Philippine National Red Cross, fund-raising responsibilities 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 at the City of Manila, this 9th day of January, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-eight, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the second.



By the President:



N. ROXAS
Acting Executive Secretary