## MALACAÑANG Manila

## BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO.380

AUTHORIZING THE PHILIPPINE GENERAL INSURANCE CORPORATION TO BECOME A SURETY UPON OFFICIAL RECOGNIZANCES, STIPULATIONS, BONDS, AND UNDERTAKINGS

WHEREAS, Section 1 of Act No. 536, as amended by No. 2206, provides that, whenever any recognizance, stipulation, bond, or undertaking conditioned for the faithful performance of any duty or of any contract made with any public authority, national, provincial, municipal, or otherwise, or of any undertaking, or for doing, or refraining from doing anything, and such recognizance, stipulation, bond, or undertaking specified is, by the laws of the Philippines by the regulations or resolutions of any public authority required or permitted to be given with one surety therein, with two or more sureties, the execution of the same or the guaranteeing solely of the performance of the condition thereof shall be sufficient when executed or guaranteed solely by any corporation organized under the laws of Philippines, having power to guarantee the fidelity persons holding positions of public or private trust and execute and guarantee bonds of undertakings in judicial proceedings and to agree to the faithful performance of contract or undertaking made with any public authority;

WHEREAS, said section further provides that no head of department, judge, officer, board, or body, whether executive, legislative, or judicial, shall approve or accept any corporation as surety on any recognizance, stipulation, bond, contract, or undertaking, unless such corporation has been authorized to do business in the Philippines in accordance with the provisions of said Act No. 536, as amended, nor unless such corporation has, by contract with the Government of the Philippines, been authorized to become a surety upon official recognizances, stipulations, bonds, and undertakings;

WHEREAS, the Philippine General Insurance Corporation is a domestic corporation organized and existing under the laws of the Republic of the Philippines, and fulfills the conditions prescribed by said Act No. 536, as amended.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby authorize the Philippine General Insurance Corporation to become a surety upon official recognizances, stipu-



lations, bonds, and undertakings, in such manner and under such conditions as are provided by law, subject, however, to the condition that the amount constituting the contributed fund shall not at anytime be withdrawn without prior recommendation and justification by the Insurance Commissioner, duly approved by the Secretary of Finance, provided further, that the moment Philippine General Insurance Corporation becomes indebted to any government instrumentality or political subdivision thereof, or to government-owned or controlled corporation in the total amount of P50,000.00 accruing from the issuance of bonds, same having become due and demandable, the insurance company must voluntarily desist from writing or issuing kinds of bonds until the outstanding liabilities in government bonds shall have been fully paid or settled. payment of liabilities shall be a cause for the immediate revocation of this Administrative Order.

Done in the City of Manila, this  $6\underline{th}$  day of February in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety eight.

By the President:

ANDER P. AGUIRRE Executive Secretary