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RESIDENCE OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES MANILA

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION No. 305

CALLING THE CONGRESS OF THE PHILIPPINES TO A SPECIAL SESSION

WHEREAS, the public interest requires that the Congress of the Philippines be convened in a special session in order to consider urgent legislative measures;

Now, THEREFORE, I, Ramon Magsaysay, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution, do hereby call the Congress of the Philippines to a special session for such number of days as may be necessary, but not to exceed thirty days, commencing at ten o'clock in the morning of the twenty-first day of June nineteen hundred and fifty-six, to consider the enactment of the following legislative measures and such others as I may submit:

- 1. TREATY OF PEACE WITH JAPAN;
- 2. REPARATIONS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES AND JAPAN, AND ITS SUPPORTING INSTRUMENTS:
- 3. AN ACT CREATING THE REPARATIONS COMMISSION;
- 4. AN ACT APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF ONE-HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS FOR THE FUTURE PHILIPPINE EMBASSY IN TOKYO, JAPAN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES;
- 5. AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATION OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES DURING THE PERIOD FROM JULY FIRST, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SIX TO JUNE THIRTEEN, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY-SEVEN, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES;
- 6 AN ACT APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR PUBLIC WORKS:

- 7. AN ACT TO AMEND REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED THIR-TEEN HUNDRED FORTY-FIVE, ENTITLED "AN ACT CREATING THE NATIONAL MARKETING CORPORA-TION AND DISSOLVING THE PRICE STABILIZATION CORPORATION, APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES;
- 8. AN ACT TO AMEND SECTONS FOUR AND FIVE, ARTICLE THREE, CHAPTER ONE, AND SECTIONS TWELVE AND FOURTEEN, ARTICLE THREE, CHAPTER TWO, OF ACT NUMBERED THIRTY-NINE HUNDRED AND NINETY-TWO, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE MOTOR VEHICLES LAW, AS AMENDED, (re collection of sales or compensating tax on motor vehicles acquired from tax-free persons, entities, or agencies);
- 9. AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION TWO HUNDRED AND SIXTY OF COMMONWEALTH ACT NUMBERED FOUR HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SIX, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AS AMENDED, (re tax on the gross receipts of amusement places):
- 10. AN ACT TO AMEND CERTAIN SECTIONS OF TITLE IV OF COMMONWEALTH ACT NUMBERED FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. (re specific tax, etc.);
- 11. AN ACT TO AMEND CERTAIN SECTIONS OF TITLE V OF COMMONWEALTH ACT NUMBERED FOUR HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX, OTHREWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. (re privilege taxes on business and occupation);
- 12. AN ACT TO AMEND CERTAIN SECTIONS OF TITLE
 III OF COMMONWEALTH ACT NUMBERED FOUR
 HUNDRED SIXTY-SIX, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE
 NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AS AMENDED, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES. (re rates of transfer
 taxes of estates, inheritance, domee's gift taxes, etc.);
- 13. AN ACT ESTABLISHING A TAX CENSUS DIVISION IN THE BUREAU OF INTERNAL REVENUE AND PROVIDING FOR A NATIONAL TAX CENSUS;
- 14. AN ACT ESTABLISHING AN APPRENTICESHIP SYSTEM AND A NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP COUNCIL, DEFINING THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF SAID COUNCIL, AND PROVIDING FUNDS THEREFOR.
- 15. AN ACT TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF JUSTICES OF THE COURT OF APPEALS AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NUMBERED TWO HUNDRED AND NINETY-SIX, AS AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "THE JUDICIARY ACT OF 1948";
- 16. AN ACT TO PROMOTE SCIENTIFIC, ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY RESEARCH, INVENTION, AND DEVELOPMENT;
- 17. AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICUL-TURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS, SUBJECT TO THE APPROVAL OF THE CABINET, FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT, OPERATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF A COPPER SMELTER AND REFINERY, INCLUDING THE MANUFACTURE OF BASIC COPPER METAL AND COPPER ALLOY PROD-

UCTS, UNDER CERTAIN TERMS AND CONDITIONS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES;

18. AN ACT DECLARING INTRAMUROS A COMMERCIAL AND EDUCATIONAL DISTRICT;

19. AN ACT TO PLACE LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES ON A NEW INCOME TAX BASIS BY AMENDING SECTIONS TWENTY-FOUR AND THIRTY-TWO OF COMMON-WEALTH ACT NUMBERED FOUR HUNDRED AND SIXTY-SIX, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE NATIONAL INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, AS AMENDED; AND

20. AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICUL-TURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO ENTER INTO AN OPERATING CONTRACT, SUBJECT TO THE AP-PROVAL OF THE CABINET, FOR THE DEVELOP-MENT, OPERATION, AND PROCESSING OF THE MIN-ERAL DEPOSITS IN THE SURIGAO MINERAL RESER-VATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

All persons entitled to sit as members of the Congress of the Philippines are requested to take notice of this proclamation.

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 18th day of June, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and fifty-six, and of the Independence of the Philippines, the tenth.

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RAMON MAGSAYSAY
President of the Philippines

By the President:

FORTUNATO DE LEON

Executive Secretary