

MALACAÑANG

Manila

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 1400

DECLARING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY OF EVERY YEAR AS THE "NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE MONTH"

WHEREAS, on February 14, 1995, Republic Act No. 7875, otherwise known as the National Health Insurance Act was signed into law, marking a significant milestone in the efforts of the Philippine government to institute a mechanism for providing social health insurance to the Filipino people;

WHEREAS, PhilHealth is now set to fulfill its mandate of universal social health insurance with its coverage of the employed in the government and private sectors, the poor, the informal sector, overseas workers and retirees;

WHEREAS, it is in the national interest to stimulate public awareness on the issues involving social health insurance and to encourage each of its partners in taking on its role to ensure the success of the NHI program;

WHEREAS, there is a need to further highlight the role of PhilHealth in the national objectives for health;

WHEREAS, the programs initiated to mark the celebration of the milestones achieved by PhilHealth in the realization of its mandate and its role in national development, will be most effectively implemented in one-month period dedicated for these activities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the month of February of every year as the **National Health Insurance Month**.

All departments, agencies, and instrumentalities of the national government, local government units, government-owned and controlled corporations, government financing institutions, as well as the mass media and the entire citizenry are hereby enjoined to extend their whole-hearted support



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and cooperation by conducting specific programs necessary to effect this order in coordination with the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation.

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 9th day of October, in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Seven.

Gloria M. Arroyo

By the President:

Eduardo R. Ermita
EDUARDO R. ERMITA
Executive Secretary



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