## MALACAÑANG Manila

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO.

FURTHER AMENDING COMMONWEALTH ACT NO. 542, ENTITLED "AN ACT TO CREATE A CORPORATION TO BE KNOWN AS THE GIRL SCOUTS OF THE PHILIPPINES, AND TO DEFINE ITS POWERS AND PURPOSES", AS AMENDED

WHEREAS, it is necessary to amend the charter of the Girl Scouts of the Philippines to make it more effective and responsive to the demands of the community;

WHEREAS, the growing membership of the Girl Scouts Movement requires a restructuring of the organization of the Girl Scouts of the Philippines;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORAZON C. AQUINO, President of the Philippines, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. Section 5 of Commonwealth Act No. 542, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

- "SEC. 5. (a) The governing body of the corporation shall be vested in a Central Board composed of 37 members, as prescribed in the By-Laws, as follows:
  - (1) the Charter/Life Members;
  - (2) the Regional Chairmen of the Girl Scout Regions of the Philippines who shall be elected by their respective Regions;
  - (3) the President of the Boy Scouts of the Philippines;
  - (4) the immediate Past National President of the Girl Scouts of the Philippines;
  - (5) one Senior Girl Scout/Cadet from each Girl Scout Region to represent the girl membership, who shall be elected by the Girl Scouts of each Region;
  - (6) The remaining members shall be the members at-large, who shall be elected by the

National Council from a list submitted by the Nominating Committee from nominees from Provincial/City Councils and National Committees.

The Central Board shall have the power to make and amend the Constitution and By-Laws of the Girl Scouts of the Philippines subject to ratification by the National Council, create standing and special committees and provide policies and procedures as may be necessary to carry out the business of the Corporation.

It shall meet regularly at least twice a year. The number necessary to constitute a quorum, which number may be less than a majority of the whole number of the Board, shall be fixed by the By-Laws.

The members of the Central Board shall serve for a term of three (3) years or until their successors shall have been elected and qualified. In case of inability of a member to assume office or when any vacancy occurs by reason of death, resignation, or incapacity, the position shall be filled by the candidate who received the next highest number of votes in the preceding election.

The Central Board shall elect from among themselves the officers of the Corporation, to wit: the National President, the First National Vice-President, the Second National Vice-President, the National Secretary, the Assistant National Secretary, the National Treasurer, and the Assistant National Treasurer.

- (b) A woman President of the Philippines or the First Lady of the Philippines shall be the Chief Girl Scout of the Girl Scouts of the Philippines."
- SECTION 2. Section 6 of Commonwealth Act No. 542, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:
  - "SEC. 6. There shall be a National Executive Committee composed of all the officers of the Corporation and the chairmen of the standing committees which shall be responsible for implementing the policies and decisions of the National Council and the Central Board."

SECTION 3. Section 7 of Commonwealth Act No. 542, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 7. There shall be a National Council composed of members of the Central Board, Charter and Life Members, Presidents of Provincial/City Councils and delegates elected from each council or their duly designated representatives in such number as may be prescribed by the By-Laws.

The National Council shall convene once every three (3) years in a convention assembled for the purpose. Special conventions may be called. The number of delegates to constitute a quorum in both conventions as well as the time, place and manner of holding the same shall be prescribed in the By-Laws.

The National Council shall elect the members at-large of the Central Board; ratify amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Girl Scouts of the Philippines by a two-third (2/3) vote of its members present and voting; serve as a forum for guidelines, policies and directions; and consider such matters as may come before the convention."

SECTION 4. Section 13 of Commonwealth Act No. 542, as added by Presidential Decree No. 720, is hereby repealed. Accordingly, Section 14 is hereby re-numbered as Section 13. All laws, orders, issuances, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done in the City of Manila, this 25th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty-seven

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By the President:

OKER P. ARROYO Executive Secretary