



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

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## PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY

### PSA Board Resolution No. 03 Series of 2015

#### DECLARING THE YEARS 2015 TO 2024 AS CIVIL REGISTRATION AND VITAL STATISTICS DECADE

**WHEREAS**, the system of civil registration was established in the Philippines with the passage of Act No. 3753 (Law on Registry of Civil Status) on 26 November 1930 that took effect on 27 February 1931;

**WHEREAS**, Act No. 3753 upholds the continuous and compulsory recording of births, deaths, marriages and other acts and events concerning civil status of persons;

**WHEREAS**, the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UN-ESCAP) Resolution 69/15, among others, "urges that all civil registration and vital statistics improvement activities in the region include and engage all relevant government entities, particularly those responsible for health, civil registration and statistics";

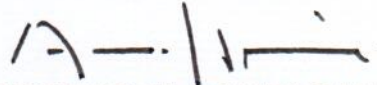
**WHEREAS**, the Ministerial Conference on CRVS in Asia and the Pacific on 24-28 November 2014 agreed for the adoption of the Ministerial Declaration to "Get every one in the picture" in Asia and the Pacific and to proclaim the "Asia and Pacific CRVS Decade for 2015 to 2024" to achieve a shared vision;

**WHEREAS**, Article 6 (e) of Republic Act No. 10625 otherwise known as the Philippine Statistical Act of 2013 mandates that the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) shall "carry out, enforce and administer civil registration functions in the country as provided for in Act. No. 3753, the Law on Registry of Civil Status";

**WHEREAS**, the PSA shall lead the activities for the discussion and resolution of issues, review of current techniques/methodologies/strategies and recommend policies and workable procedures towards the improvement of civil registration and vital statistics;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Board favorably endorses to the Office of the President the issuance of a Presidential Proclamation entitled "Declaring the Years 2015-2024 as Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Decade."

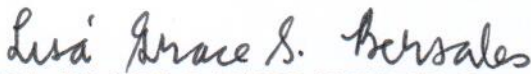
Approved this 10<sup>th</sup> day of February 2015, in Pasig City.



**ARSENIO M. BALISACAN**

PSA Board Chairperson  
Socioeconomic Planning Secretary and  
Director General, NEDA

Attested by:



**LISA GRACE S. BERSALES, Ph.D.**

National Statistician and Civil Registrar General  
Chair, PSA Board Secretariat





**MALACAÑANG**  
**Manila**

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**DECLARING THE YEARS 2015 TO 2024 AS CIVIL REGISTRATION AND  
VITAL STATISTICS DECADE**

WHEREAS, the system of civil registration was established in the Philippines with the passage of Act No. 3753 (Law on Registry of Civil Status) on 26 November 1930 and took effect on 27 February 1931;

WHEREAS, Act No. 3753 upholds the continuous and compulsory recording of births, deaths, marriages and other acts and events concerning the civil status of persons;

WHEREAS, the Philippines puts emphasis on the importance of civil registry documents to establish identity and civil status;

WHEREAS, the Philippines supports universal civil registration and commits itself to producing accurate, complete and timely vital statistics;

WHEREAS, Art. 6 (e) of Republic Act No. 10625 otherwise known as the Philippine Statistical Act of 2013 mandates that the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA) shall "carry out, enforce and administer civil registration functions in the country as provided for in Act. No. 3753, the Law on Registry of Civil Status";

WHEREAS, UN-ESCAP Resolution 69/15 entitled "Implementing the outcome of the High-level Meeting on the Improvement of Civil Registration and Vital Statistics in Asia and the Pacific," urges "that all civil registration and vital statistics improvement activities in the region include and engage all relevant government entities, particularly those responsible for health, civil registration and statistics;" and, "that country actions and regional support activities be aligned with the eight outcomes of the Regional Strategic Plan for the Improvement of Civil Registration and Vital Statistics in Asia and the Pacific"; among others;

WHEREAS, the Ministerial Conference on CRVS in Asia and the Pacific on 24 to 28 November, 2014 agreed to the adoption of the Ministerial Declaration to "Get every one in the picture" in Asia and the Pacific and to declare the years 2015 to 2024

as "Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Decade for Asia and the Pacific" to achieve a shared vision;

WHEREAS, the PSA shall lead the activities for the discussion and resolution of issues, review of current techniques/methodologies/strategies and recommend policies and workable procedures towards the improvement of civil registration and vital statistics;

NOW THEREFORE, I, BENIGNO S. AQUINO III, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare the years 2015 to 2024 as Civil Registration and Vital Statistics Decade.

All departments, other government agencies, including government owned and/or controlled corporations, as well as local government units, are hereby enjoined to implement and execute the operational plans, directives, and orders of the PSA Board through the PSA, relative to this Proclamation. The citizenry is hereby enjoined to actively support all activities and programs relevant to the "Get every *Pinoy* and *Pinay* in the picture!" initiative.

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 \_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_ in the year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Fifteen.

By the President:

**PAQUITO N. OCHOA, JR.**  
Executive Secretary