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REGIONAL SCOUT DIRECTORS, COUNCIL SCOUT EXECUTIVES.

OFFICERS-IN-CHARGE AND ALL CONCERNED

SUBJECT

SCOUT MEMORIAL DAY

56th Death Anniversary of the 24 Scouts and Leaders

On July 28, 1963, all passengers and crew members of United Arab Airlines Flight 869 perished when the plane crashed into the Arabian Sea near India. The Egyptian Airlines, a British-made Comet Jetliner, was bound for Athens, Greece. The flight originated in Hong Kong and had a stop over in Bangkok, Thailand. Among the passengers were the twenty-four (24) Filipino Scouts and Scout Leaders enroute to the 11th World Jamboree in Marathon, Greece. This tragedy derived worldwide support and sympathy. People from all walks of life especially the Scouting community mourned the deaths of these 24 Scouts and Scout Leaders. Since then, the BSP, with the parents, relatives and friends of the deceased Scouts and Scout Leaders has religiously commemorated their untimely passing in simple and brief ceremonies.

Also, in 1988, President Corazon C. Aquino declared July 28 of every year as BOY SCOUTS OF THE PHILIPPINES MEMORIAL DAY (see attached copy). This further inspired the BSP to commemorate the 11th World Jamboree Scout Heroes every year.

In line with this, all Local Councils are hereby directed to continue giving tribute to these Scout Heroes by means of a simple program and Holy Mass every 28th of July. An After-Action Report (with pictures and related documents) is to be submitted to the BSP National Office or through email at ddml.bsp@gmail.com.

Should there be any concern and/or query relative to the said activity, you may call the Project Officer, Mr. Carmelo B. Francia at boyet.francia@scouts.org.ph or at (02) 527 5112 local 518.

For information, dissemination and compliance.

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BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 293

DECLARING JULY 28 OF EVERY YEAR AS BOY SCOUTS OF THE PHILIPPINES MEMORIAL DAY.

WHEREAS, July 28 marks the death anniversary of the twenty-four (24) Boy Scout and Scouter delegates of the Boy Scouts of the Philippines (BSP), who perished in a plane crash over the Sea of Bombay on their way to Marathon, Greece to represent the BSP in the 11th World Jamboree;

WHEREAS, every year, the BSP, with the parents, relatives and friends of the deceased scouts and scouters, has religiously commemorated their untimely passing in simple and brief ceremonies; and

WHEREAS, there is a need to give a fitting tribute to these boy scouts and scouters, as well as other boy scouts, who lost their lives while in the performance of their scouting duties;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CORAZON C. AQUINO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby declare July 28, of every year as Boy Scouts of the Philippines Memorial Day.

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 27th day of July, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty-eight.

(Sgd.) CORAZON C. AQUINO

By the President: (Sgd.) CATALINO MACARAIG, JR. Executive Secretary

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