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MECS M E M O R A N D U M
No. 233, s. 1983

AUTHORIZING TOPS, INC. TO CONDUCT A NATIONAL
EDUCATIONAL AND FUND CAMPAIGN

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Chiefs of Services and Heads of Units
Schools Superintendents
Presidents, State Colleges and Universities

1. Inclosed is a copy of Presidential Proclamation No. 2293, dated May 28, 1983, authorizing the Tahanan Outreach Projects and Services (TOPS), Inc., to conduct a nationwide educational and fund campaign from May 1, 1983 to April 30, 1984, and every year thereafter.
2. TOPS is a home away from home for young boys and girls needing rehabilitation, implementing a unique project whereby young offenders, instead of being jailed, are housed in a foster home of love and are assisted with kind and understanding hearts to show their way to useful adult lives. TOPS also runs a special school that provides out-of-school youngsters and dropouts with an atmosphere conducive to the development of skills and values of good citizenship.
3. The proclamation specifically calls upon all citizens of the Philippines to give generously and participate actively in this fund campaign, and reiterates that all donations or contributions given to this charitable cause shall be exempt from income and gift taxes, as provided in P.D. No. 507.
4. This Office endorses this campaign and appeals to all school officials, faculty and teachers, employees and parents, as well as the student population, not only to insure the success of the fund drive but also to stress the educational phase of the campaign in order to promote awareness and keen understanding of the problems of juvenile delinquents and out-of-school youths.
5. In this connection, it is requested that the campaign be conducted on a regional basis with each regional director assuming responsibility for the conduct of the campaign. Remittance from each superintendent or school head shall be in check or money order drawn

in favor of TOPS and transmitted to the regional director who, in turn, shall transmit the same to this Office, c/o Deputy Minister Hermenegildo C. Dumlas, TOPS Educational Division Campaign Chairman.

6. It is desired that the contents of this Memorandum be brought to the attention of all concerned for appropriate implementation.

(SGD.) JOSE D. CORPUZ
Minister

Incl.:

As stated

Reference:

Department Memorandum: A. 200, s. 1975

Allotment: 1-2-3-4--(D.C. 1-76)

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(Inclosure to MECS Memorandum No. 233, s. 1983)

MALACANANG
Manila

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 2239

AUTHORIZING THE TAHANAN OUTREACH PROJECTS AND SERVICES, INC., (TOPS) TO CONDUCT A NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL AND FUND CAMPAIGN DURING THE PERIOD FROM MAY 1, 1983 TO APRIL 30, 1984, AND EVERY YEAR THEREAFTER.

WHEREAS, it is the vital concern of the Government and of the New Society to combat the menace of juvenile delinquency through treatment, rehabilitation and aftercare services of young offenders;

WHEREAS, the strength of the nation lies in the preservation of the unity of the Filipino family and the development of its youth;

WHEREAS, the Tahanan Outreach Projects and Services, Inc., (TOPS), is dedicated to the normalization of socially mal-adjusted youth in a community setting, hand-in-hand with his family through innovative approaches, dynamic strategies and development of positive attitudes and skills, thus serving as a model for related rehabilitation outreach programs; and

WHEREAS, the Tahanan Outreach Projects and Services, Inc. (TOPS), as the only private, non-profit organization with objectives directed to these noble ends, needs and deserves nationwide support;

NOW, THEREFORE, I call upon all residents of the Philippines, regardless of nationality and creed, whether in government service or private enterprise, to give generously and participate actively in this fund campaign and I reiterate that all donations or contributions given to this worthy cause shall be exempt from income and gift taxes, as provided in Presidential Decree No. 507, and the same shall constitute allowable deductions in full from the income of the donors and contributors for income tax purposes.

I also call upon all school teachers, administrators and school children to fully support this fund drive and thus participate in this worthwhile endeavor for the benefit of children in trouble with law.

I also authorize all government financing institutions, government corporations and other government agencies to donate generously from their funds to the Organization, in consideration of the fact that the Government has a major project of rehabilitating the disadvantaged youth.

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 28th day of May, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and eighty-three.

(SGD.) FERDINAND E. MARCOS
President of the Philippines

By the President:
