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## LETTER OF GEN. PIO DEL PILAR\*

In view of the services rendered and recognized by all, by Ntra. Sra. Agueda Cahalagan y Iniquinto, (sic.) a native of Santa Cruz, province of La Laguna, since the first insurrection up to the present time, and desiring to have an honorary title of the rank under which she was recognized in the battles in which she took part, she has come to me to request of that Department said title, if you consider her worthy thereof.

At the same time having now on a war footing a company under her orders, with ten rifles and the remainder sandatahanes, she also wishes that title be issued as reserve officers to Sr. Jorge Gabrido, Captain; Sr. Regino Lara, 1st Lieutenant; Sr. Dionisio Fernandez and Narciso Beltran, 2nd Lieutenant.

In view of the fact that this does not constitute any charge upon our Government, but on the contrary, under present conditions such an attitude is one that we must look upon with gratification, in our countrymen, I do not believe that I will be taking up your time in vain in joining my petition to that of Sra. Agueda, whose enthusiasm is worthy of praise.

For which reason I hope, in view of your courtesy, that you will make a favorable reply.

God preserve you many years.

Antipolo, April 6, 1899.

PIO DEL PILAR General in Chief

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