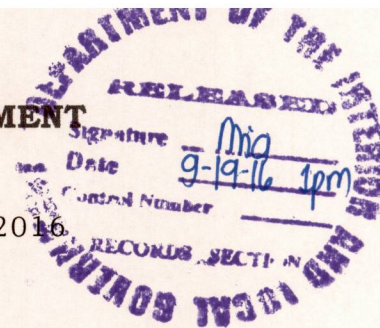


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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
NO. 2016-126

T O : ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY MAYORS, MUNICIPAL MAYORS,
THE ARMM REGIONAL GOVERNOR, AND DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS

SUBJECT : 2016 ANIMAL WELFARE WEEK CELEBRATION (OCTOBER 3-7, 2016)

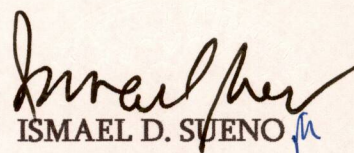
Presidential Proclamation No. 715, series of 2004, declares the first week of October of every year as Animal Welfare Week. The Department of Agriculture-Bureau of Animal Industry (DA-BAI), having the primary mandate of implementing Republic Act No. 8485 (The Animal Welfare Law of 2008), will spearhead the 2016 Animal Welfare Week Celebration on October 3-7, 2016, to carry the theme, *Animal Welfare is Human Welfare*. The said activity is in collaboration with the members of the DA-Committee on Animal Welfare, created pursuant to Republic Act No. 8485 (The Animal Welfare Law of 1998) as amended by RA 10631, of which this Department is a principal member.

Relative thereto and in support of this celebration, all Local Chief Executives are hereby enjoined to mobilize their respective Provincial/City Veterinary Offices, and in the absence thereof, the Municipal Agriculture Office as LGU counterpart, to support said undertaking by:

1. Organizing an event in celebration of the Animal Welfare Week to create awareness on the importance of animal welfare and protection;
2. Promoting Animal Week Welfare Celebration through the:
 - a. Display of streamers/tarpaulins in front of provincial/city/municipal halls announcing the participation of the LGU in this event to carry the theme, *Animal Welfare Week Observance: "Animal Welfare is Human Welfare"* (please see attached tarpaulin design for reference);
 - b. Posting of event details, such as photos, videos, or news articles in LGU website and other social media accounts (e.g. facebook and twitter);
 - c. Disseminate information on animal-welfare issues to networks and partners; and
 - d. Inclusion of animal welfare-related advocacy in LGU activities.

For other event details,, all concerned may coordinate with *Ms. Faye Bernardo* and/or *Mr. Armelo F. Mauro*, Animal Health and Welfare Division, BAI-DA at Telephone No. (02) 928-28-36.

All DILG Regional Directors and ARMM Regional Governor are directed to cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular to LGUs, within their respective areas of jurisdiction.


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