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124th ANNIVERSARY OF THE MARTYRDOM OF DR. JOSE RIZAL

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1.0 **Background**

The month of December of every year is declared as "Rizal Month", pursuant to Proclamation No. 126 s., 2001. As such, government agencies and instrumentalities, concerned organizations, and all citizens and residents of the Philippines are mandated to extend full support and to participate in the programs and activities planned for the commemorative celebration of Dr. Jose Rizal's life, nationalism, and martyrdom as a constant reminder to all of us to fulfill our duties to our country, and to lead in making a better tomorrow for the generations to come.

2.0 **Purpose**

This Memorandum Circular enjoins all local chief executives and other local government officials to conduct and/or participate in the Rizal Day commemorative activities.

3.0 Scope/Coverage

All Provinces, Cities, Municipalities, DILG Regional Offices, DILG Field Offices, BARMM Regional Government, and BARMM Ministry of Interior and Local Government

4.0 Policy Content and Guidelines

- 4.1 On December 30, 2020, the National Historical Commission of the Philippines, in collaboration with other government agencies, local government units, and the private sector, will conduct simultaneous flag-raising and wreath-laying rites at the Rizal National Monument, Rizal Park, Manila Rizal Shrine, Dapitan City, and Rizal Shrine, Calamba, Laguna at 7:00 in the morning, to commemorate the 124th anniversary of the martyrdom of Dr. Jose Rizal.
- 4.2 All Local Chief Executives, DILG Regional Offices, and the BARMM Chief Minister, thru the Minister of Interior and Local Government, are enjoined to simultaneously conduct simple but meaningful commemorative activities, such as, but not limited to, flag-raising and wreath-laying rites, and display of the Philippine flag in their respective localities.

5.0 References

- 5.1 Letter from Executive Director Restituto L. Aguilar of the National Historical Commission of the Philippines
- 5.2 Proclamation No. 126 s., 2001

6.0 Effectivity

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately.

7.0 Approving Authority

EDUARDO M. ANO Secretary



8.0 Feedback

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