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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

NO: 2013-129

TO : ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY/MUNICIPAL MAYORS,  
PUNONG BARANGAYS, DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS AND OTHERS  
CONCERNED

SUBJECT : INTERNATIONAL DAY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

The Philippines will join the rest of the world in commemorating the 2013 International Day of Persons with Disabilities on December 3, pursuant to United Nations General Assembly Resolution A/RES/47/3 adopted in 14 October 1992 and amended by Resolution A/RES/48/97 dated 20 December 1993 and General Assembly Resolution 62/127 dated 18 December 2007.

In compliance of Philippine Government to the implementation of this global event, it issued Proclamation No. 1157 on October 16, 2006, Declaring December 3, 2006 and Every Year Thereafter as “International Day of Persons with Disabilities in the Philippines.”

In this regard, we enjoin all Local Government Units to support the observance of the above-mentioned celebration, with this year’s theme “Break barriers, open doors: for an inclusive society for all,” by conducting fitting activities such as but not limited to the following:

- Hanging of tarpaulins
- Photo exhibits (featuring accessible built environment and public transportation utilities)
- Launching of a PWD Assistance Desk
- United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD) Quiz Bee
- Arts Workshop
- Forum on the Incheon Strategy to “Make the Right Real” for Persons with Disabilities in Asia and the Pacific focusing on Goal 3 (Enhance access to the Physical environment, public transportation, knowledge, information and communication)
- Cultural Show “Journey of a Performer with Disability” – This will be a performance of persons with disabilities back to back with persons without disability.

Activities conducted shall be submitted to National Council on Disability Affairs (NCDA) Secretariat. For more information regarding the conduct of the above-listed activities, you may contact NCDA thru Mr. Rizalio R. Sanchez and/or Ms. Araceli De Leon with mobile nos. 0920-9062306 and 0920-9062287 respectively or thru telephone no. 951-5013.

All DILG Regional Directors are hereby directed to cause the widest dissemination of this Circular and extend necessary assistance.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

  
MAR ROXAS  
Secretary

