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120th ANNIVERSARY OF THE MARTYRDOM OF DR. JOSE RIZAL

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1.0 Background

- 1.1. Rizal Day is a day of appreciating Jose Rizal as a hero, an icon and a perfect example on how to be a Filipino. To quote the late Sen. Blas Ople, "Jose Rizal remains the supreme hero of the Philippines because of the quality of his sacrifice, his absolute dedication to the interest of his people, and his achievement in many fields of endeavors".
- 1.2. Pursuan to Proclamation No. 126, December 30 of every year marks the death anniversary of Dr. Jose Rizal.

2.0 Purpose

The purpose of the policy is to enjoin all DILG officials and personnel, including the local officials of the various LGUs to participate in the said activity.

3.0 Scope/Coverage

All Provincial Governors, City and Municipal Mayors, Punong Barangays, DILG Regional Directors, ARMM Regional Governor, and all others concerned.

4.0 Policy Content and Guidelines

- 4.1. On December 30, 2016 marks the 120th Anniversary of the Martyrdom of Dr. Jose Rizal.
- 4.2. The national government thru the National Historical Commission of the Philippines will be spearheading a commemorative program at the Rizal National Monument, Rizal Park, Manila on December 30, 2016 at 7:00 o'clock in the morning.
- 4.3. All Local Chief Executives are enjoined to conduct simple but meaningful activities such as flag-raising and wreath-laying rites, display of Philippine flag in LGU offices, civic parade and other related activities in their respective localities.

5.0 References

5.1 Letter from Acting Executive Director Ludovico D. Badoy, National Historical Commission of the Philippines

5.2 Proclamation No. 126

5.3 Article dated November 23, 2016 from the National Historical Commission of the Philippines

6.0 Effectivity

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately.

7.0 Approving Authority

ISMAEL D. SUENO Secretary

8.0 Feedback



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