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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2016-26

TO

ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY MAYORS, MUNICIPAL

MAYORS, THE ARMM REGIONAL GOVERNOR, AND DILG

REGIONAL DIRECTORS

SUBJECT

RABIES AWARENESS CELEBRATION IN THE MONTH OF

MARCH 2016

Executive Order No. 84, series of 1999 declares the month of March of every year as *Rabies Awareness Month*. The Department of Agriculture-Bureau of Animal Industry, as the Chair of the *National Rabies Prevention and Control Committee*, will spearhead the celebration of this event. With the theme, "*End Rabies, Now Na*!", this year's celebration highlights the kick-off activity on March 1, 2016, at the Muntinlupa Sports Complex, with the conduct of *anti-rabies vaccination, mass castration and spay, information education campaign (IEC), launching of free pre-exposure prophylaxis* and other related activities.

Relative to the above, all Local Chief Executives in provinces, cities, and municipalities are hereby encouraged to mobilize their respective Provincial/City Veterinary/Municipal Agriculture Offices to support the said undertaking through:

- 1. Display of streamer infront of provincial/city/municipal halls, to carry the theme, "End Rabies, Now Na!", announcing LGU participation in said celebration;
- 2. Uploading the official campaign streamer in LGU website, Facebook, and Twitter accounts:
- 3. Dissemination of rabies awareness information materials; and
- 4. Inclusion of rabies awareness advocacy in LGU animal welfare and human health related activities.

For details of the streamer template, all concerned may coordinate with Dr. Noverlee P. Calub of the Animal Health and Welfare Division, DA-BAI at Telephone No. (02) 928-2836, Mobile No. 09175563964 or email at drlee2890@gmail.com.

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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Secretary

