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

SUBJECT : 2007 DANCE CONGRESS AND CELEBRATION
OF THE INTERNATIONAL DANCE DAY

Section 16 of Republic Act 7160 otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991 provides that all LGUs shall ensure and support the preservation and enrichment of the culture of their constituents. Dance is an expression of Filipino value and tradition and considered as a potent medium of communication.

The National Commission for the Culture and the Arts is spearheading the celebration of the International Dance Day and the conduct of 2007 Dance Congress with the theme: "Sayaw Pinoy: Understanding the Richness of Philippine Dances and Culture" on April 27-29, 2007 in Zamboanga City. The event aims to enhance the knowledge and skills of the LGU based choreographers in Philippine dances; equip the local choreographers with deeper appreciation about the significance of the Philippine dances; improve the quality of dance components of the LGU based festivals; and promote dance and its authentic value as expression of the Filipino soul.

The Dance Congress will tackle different issues and concerns of dance in its various forms such as Philippine Folk Dance, Ballet, Modern, Contemporary and Dance Sport and the role of dance in cultural education and in sustainable development.

In view of this, all Local Chief Executives and others concerned are hereby enjoined to support the celebration and the congress by authorizing the local dance choreographers and other organizers to participate in the congress on April 27-29, 2007 in Zamboanga City.

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For the guidance of all concerned.


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