

December 14, 2012

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

No. 2012-196

TO : ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY/MUNICIPAL MAYORS, PUNONG BARANGAYS, THE ARMM GOVERNOR, DILG REGIONAL/PROVINCIAL/CITY DIRECTORS AND CITY/MUNICIPAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS OFFICERS, THE ARMM DILG REGIONAL SECRETARY AND OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT : ORSERVANCE OF THE 17TH NATIONAL AUTISM CONSCIOUSNESS WEEK 2013

Presidential Proclamation No. 711 dated January 4, 1996, has declared the third week of January of every year as "Autism Consciousness Week", which will be observed on January 20-28, 2013, with the theme "*Autismo Alamin: Pagtanggap at Pagunawa Palaganapin*".

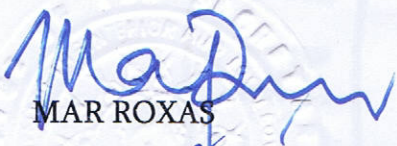
The week long celebration aims to develop awareness on the problems of persons with autism and promote a supportive environment among communities to enable them to live with dignity, function independently and contribute productively to the society.

In order to ensure success of the celebration, all Local Chief Executives are hereby encouraged to spearhead the observance of this significant event in their respective jurisdiction by undertaking activities such as, but not limited to the following:

- Autism Walk for a Cause
- Hanging of Streamers in front of different offices (both public and private) the template of which, can be downloaded at www.autismsocietyph.org/blog/wp
- Announcement of Autism Consciousness Week during Monday's Flag raising Ceremony
- Forum on Autism
- Spot Painting Contest with persons with autism as participants
- Publicity through the tri-media.

DILG Regional Directors and field officers are likewise directed to cause the widest dissemination of this Circular and provide support as may be necessary to ensure success of the celebration.

For information and guidance.


MAR ROXAS
 Secretary

