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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR  
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TO : ALL CONCERNED PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY/  
MUNICIPAL MAYORS, DILG REGIONAL OFFICES AND OTHER  
CONCERNED

SUBJECT : OBSERVANCE OF THE 22<sup>ND</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE LOCAL  
GOVERNMENT CODE

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Presidential Proclamation No. 63, series of 1992, signed on October 2, 1992 declared October as the Local Government Month, the second week of October as the Local Government Week and the 10<sup>th</sup> day of October as Local Government Day in the Philippines, in commemoration of the passage of the Local Government Code (LGC) of 1991.

The LGC ushered in a new era in local governance empowering local government units (LGUs) to become partners in national development and conduits for grassroots-level democracy and community participation, vigilance and volunteerism in pursuit of local aspirations.

In celebration of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary of the Local Government Code, all LGUs are encouraged to:

- Initiate activities in their respective LGUs to celebrate gains or milestones in local governance, autonomy and development;
- Participate in the month-long activities of the Department of the Interior and Local Government at the Central, Regional and Provincial Offices; and
- Continue upholding the ideals of the Code for equitable, inclusive, and environment-friendly local governance and socio-economic development.

This year's theme is "KILOS PROGRESO, MAKILAHOK SA PAG-ASENSO", a call to all LGUs for united action in support of local and national progress. United action invokes the need for transparency as an essential pillar of accountability; vigilance to open spaces for citizen's engagement; and volunteerism to broaden opportunities for peoples' participation in local governance and development.

In this regard, Provincial Governors, City and Municipal Mayors, Punong Barangays and other elected officials are encouraged to organize and participate in various activities with other local governance stakeholders to mark the 22<sup>nd</sup> year anniversary of the LGC. Activities to be organized by LGUs may include, but not limited to the following:

- a. Launching LGU-specific or inter-LGU programs, projects and activities;
- b. Forging new partnerships with business, industry and/or civil society for competitiveness, social protection, environmental management, public safety and/or poverty reduction initiatives;
- c. Launching Grassroots Participatory Budget Processes (GPBP), particularly implementation of development priorities funded by the GPBP;
- d. Media and/or advocacy activities at the province, city, and municipality, including public assemblies;
- e. Barangay Assembly; and
- f. Dialogues in relation to the conduct of a free, honest, and peaceful barangay elections on 28 October 2013.

LGUs and DILG Regional and Field Offices are requested to display prominently the official banner for the 22<sup>nd</sup> Year LGC Anniversary Celebration in their offices and/or activities lined up for the Anniversary. The electronic file of the official banner may be downloaded from the website of the Local Government Academy (LGA) at [www.lga.gov.ph](http://www.lga.gov.ph).

Accordingly, the concerned LGUs are requested to furnish the DILG Regional/Field Offices the schedule of activities organized for the month of October in observance of the 22<sup>nd</sup> Local Government Code Anniversary.

For compliance.



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Secretary



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