

## REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR No. 2014-129

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TO

ALL CONCERNED PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY/MUNICIPAL MAYORS, DILG REGIONAL OFFICES,

AND OTHER PARTNERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT:

OBSERVANCE OF THE 23<sup>RD</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE LOCAL

**GOVERNMENT CODE** 

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 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 development.

In celebration of the  $23^{\rm rd}$  Anniversary of the Local Government Code, all LGUs are encouraged to:

- Release statements to the press on this year's notable achievements of LGUs in becoming: (1) business-friendly and competitive; (2) environment-protective, disaster-resilient, and climate change-adaptive; (3) socially-protective and safe; and/or, (4) accountable, transparent, participative and effective;
- Actively participate in the month-long activities of the Department of the Interior and Local Government at the Central, Regional, and Provincial Offices; and,
- Openly promote LGU achievements to other government agencies, development partners, local media, and the public in activities during the Local Government Code Anniversary Celebration.

This year's theme is Ang LGUng Magaling, May Nararating, a call to all LGUs to celebrate milestones and achievements arising from performance and excellence, as well as the progressive movement away from LGU- and/or community-specific challenges they face. Ang LGUng Magaling is a recognition of each LGU's initiative to make a meaningful difference arising from the powers of local autonomy and not to be construed as igniting competition or comparison amongst them.

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 23<sup>rd</sup> year anniversary of the LGC. National-level activities are indicated in the calendar attached as Annex A.

Accordingly, LGUs may upload photo/s capturing what they are proud of in the LGU in terms of achievements or results under the *Proud Kami Sa...* sub-portal. See Annex B for further instructions. Regional and Provincial Offices of DILG are requested to promote this feature to provinces, cities and municipalities under their administrative jurisdiction.

Finally, LGUs and DILG Regional and Field Offices are requested to display prominently the official banner for the 23<sup>nd</sup> Year LGC Anniversary Celebration (see **Annex C**), an electronic file of which may be downloaded from the DILG website <a href="https://www.dilg.gov.ph">www.dilg.gov.ph</a> under the drop down menu "Reports and Resources", then click on "Resources and Downloads".

DILG Regional Offices are instructed to submit a calendar of activities in celebration of the LGC Code Anniversary and a final report thereon to the Office of the Undersecretary for Local Government. Send the electronic files of the RO-specific calendar either in Excel or Microsoft Word to <a href="mailto:jntflorendo@gmail.com">jntflorendo@gmail.com</a> and the printed final report in the first week of November 2014.

For compliance.

Encl.: a/s

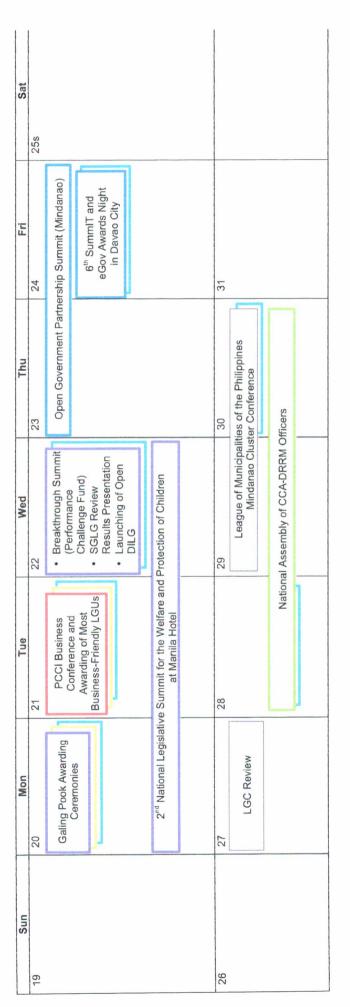
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# Local Governance Month Celebration National Activities - October 2014 Theme: "Ang LGUng Magaling, May Nararating"

| Sat | Galing Pook TV Series:  | Governance on ANC at<br>4.30 PM   | 11 |                                       |  |  |  | Conference:<br>Davao Citv  | 18 |  |
|-----|---|---|----|---------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|----|--|
| F   | 3<br>tal Strategies for Local Development Summit at<br>Asian Institute of Management, Makati City |   | 10 | orum: Role of LGUs                    | LGC Anniversary<br>Half-Day Event,<br>LGC Team Guesting<br>at Morning Talk | STIOW                                      | Union of Local<br>Authorities in the<br>Philippines (ULAP)<br>Exec Board Oath-taking | Philippine Society for Public Administration Conference:<br>Governance Reforms and Innovations in Davao Citv | 17 | Open Government Partnership Summit (Visayas)           |
| Thu | 2 Digital Strategies for Local Development Summit at Asian Institute of Management, Makati City   | Galing Pook TV Series:<br>Good Health thru Good<br>Governance on ANC at<br>10.30 PM | 6  | ASEAN Integration Forum: Role of LGUs | League of Cities of the<br>Philippines<br>Consultation                     | Open Government Partnership Summit (Luzon) |  | Philippine Soc<br>Governance   | 16 | Open Government Partn                                  |
| Med | 1 Wed   |   | 80 | P O S O T O                           |  |  |  |  | 15 | Awarding of Most<br>Livable Cities Design<br>Challenge |
| Tue |   |   | 7  |                                       |  |  |  |  | 14 |  |
| Mon |   |   | 9  |                                       |  |  |  |  | 13 |  |
| Sun |   |   | 5  |                                       |  |  |  |  | 12 | Nationwide Barangay<br>Assembly                        |

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### Annex B: Proud Kami Sa...

LGUs are encouraged to share with us what you are most proud of, consistent with the theme, Ang LGUng Magaling, May Nararating. This is a bottom-up sharing of your achievements and initiatives, in response to your own set of challenges or circumstances, without the need to compete or compare with other LGUs.

What are you most proud of? Let us know by uploading your action photo/s signifying the results of your efforts. Upload in the DILG website by following the instructions below.

| Proud Kami Sa   |   |
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| Go to Igu201.dilg.gov.ph. Scroll d  | lown and look for the box entitled "Proud kami sa"  |
|   | o/s that capture/s what you are most proud of in your LGU.<br>ach photo starting your caption with "Proud kami sa |
| (1) Business-Friendliness and Con   | ster-Resilience, and Climate Change-Adaptation; and/or,   |
| Insert caption indicating:  - Name/s;  - Location;  - Date;  - Results/impact of your eff |   |