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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

No. 2015-146

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

SUBJECT : **2016 AUTISM WEEK CELEBRATION**

Year 2016 marks the 20th observance of the Autism Consciousness Week" in the Philippines pursuant to Proclamation No. 711 which was issued on January 4, 1996. In line with the celebration, the theme "**Towards an Autism-OK Philippines**" is adopted which aims to intensify public awareness on the rights of persons with autism to employment, sports and recreation as a means of improving their lives physically, mentally, socially and emotionally. It also advocates for the mainstreaming of disability agenda in all government and non-government organizations and acceptance of persons with autism as productive citizens in our society.

Relative thereto, all local government units and others concerned are requested to conduct fitting activities such as but not limited to:

- Hanging of Streamers
- Recitation of Isang Bansa: Isang Pangako during the flag raising ceremony on January 18, 2016. The pledge's copy is downloadable from <http://bit.ly/1bansa1pangako>
- Exhibit of artworks made by people with autism
- Medical Fora
- Knowledge Sharing on the Rights of Children with Disabilities

For more information you may contact Mr. Rizalio R. Sanchez and/or Ms. Barbara Ganaden of NCDA thru telephone nos. 951-5013, 932-6422 local 111 or thru email address: council@ncda.gov.ph.

All DILG Regional Directors are hereby directed to cause the widest dissemination of this Circular and extend necessary assistance.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.


MEL SENEN S. SARMIENTO
Secretary

