NATIONAL VOLUNTEER MONTH (NVM) CELEBRATION

Memorandum Circular No. 2017-164

December 11, 2017

1.0 Background

Proclamation No. 55, s. 1998 mandates the celebration of National Volunteer Month (NVM) in December every year to pay tribute to the tireless efforts and dedicated service of volunteers of our country.

The culture of volunteerism is a proud legacy of the Filipinos, which play vital role in the development, time, effort and resources shared by volunteers to those who are in need. It is a valuable contribution to the improvement of the quality of life of individuals and communities.

2.0 Purpose

This policy aims to enjoin all local chief executives to undertake activities during the month-long celebration.

3.0 Scope/Coverage

All Provincial Governors, City Mayors, Municipal Mayors, DILG Regional Directors, ARMM Regional Governor, and all others concerned

4.0 Policy Content and Guidelines

- 4.1. The Philippine National Volunteer Service Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA), of the National Economic and Development Agency is the lead agency and Secretariat of the NVM assisted by the NVM Steering Committee Chaired by NEDA in planning and organizing NVM activities.
- 4.2. This year's celebration intends to generate nationwide public awareness and participation to the NVM theme, "Boluntarismo-Daan Tungo sa Pagbabago" in support of the Philippine Development Plan 2017-2022 and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
- 4.3. As part of the celebration of NVM, all Provincial Governors, City and Municipal Mayors are hereby encouraged to undertake the following suggested activities:

- 4.3.1 Disseminate NVM information through display of NVM 2017 banner and poster, announcements and distribution of NVM 2017 promotional materials through the institution's public information facilities such as printed publications, bulletin boards, social media, and advocacy events;
- 4.3.2 Organize and/or participate in volunteering events and activities, especially those that support the NVM theme, during the month of December; and
- 4.3.3 Recognize the work of volunteers and the participation of partners in the NVM through awards, documentation of the activities, and sharing of good practices.

5.0 References

- 5.1 Letter from Mr. Ernesto M. Pernia, Socioeconomic Planning Secretary and Chair, NVM Steering Committee
- 5.2 Proclamation No. 55, s. 1998

6.0 Approving Authority

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7.0 Feedback

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