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MINISTERI NG EDUKASYON, KULTURA AT ISPORTS
(MINISTRY OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS)
Manila

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MEMORANDUM
No. 110 s. 1984

SIXTH NATIONAL DISABILITY AND PREVENTION
AND REHABILITATION WEEK

To: Regional Directors
Schools Superintendents
Presidents, State Colleges and Universities
Heads of Private Schools, Colleges and Universities
Vocational School Superintendents/Administrators

1. In coordination with the National Commission Concerning Disabled Persons (NCCDP), the central coordinating authority for all disability prevention and rehabilitation programs in the country, this Ministry will observe the Sixth National Disability and Prevention and Rehabilitation Week from July 15 to 21, 1984. The theme of the Week's celebration is "Moving on Through the Decade of the Disabled." The Decade of Disabled Persons in the Philippines as proclaimed by His Excellency, the President of the Philippines is 1982 to 1991.

2. To fittingly mark the occasion, schools superintendents and heads of schools, colleges, and universities are hereby enjoined to arrange and coordinate with agencies concerned like the Ministry of Social Services and Development (MSSD), Ministry of Health (MOH), Ministry of Labor and Employment (MLE), and the NCCDP local chapters and others, such activities as are geared towards arousing people's greater awareness and understanding of the disabled and the prevention of disability.

3. In view of fund constraints, only the more significant, cost-effective activities such as those suggested below should be undertaken:

- a. Free medical/dental/health services, consultation, or check-up in government/private hospitals, health centers, or clinics.
- b. Seminars or teach-ins to parents and would-be-mothers.
- c. Short-term training courses for the acquisition by the disabled of employable skills; e.g. cosmetology, cooking, dressmaking, embroidery, art and crafts, etc.
- d. Reading stories/talking about the lives of disabled persons who have succeeded despite their handicaps like Apolinario Mabini, "Ata" the blind pianist, Norma Lapuz, Helen Keller, Thomas Edison, Alexander Graham Bell, Beethoven, etc.

- e. Reporting on progress of government and non-government agencies for the prevention of disabilities and the rehabilitation of disabled persons.
- f. Discussing good health habits to keep one-self physically, socially, and mentally fit, e.g. eating the right kinds of food, avoiding prohibited drugs, proper exercise, etc.
- g. Visiting classes for the disabled to appreciate what these children can do.
- h. Encouraging participation of disabled children in extracurricular activities.
- i. Disability prevention and rehabilitation information dissemination through the radio, TV and local papers.
- j. Essay writing, poster making, or slogan contest.
- k. Literary-musical program.
- l. Film showing

4. It is desired that this Memorandum be widely disseminated to all concerned and a report on the Week's celebration be included in the annual report of administrators.

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