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DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, CULTURE AND SPORTS
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DECS MEMORANDUM
No. 385, 1997

LINGGO NG KATANDAANG PILIPINO
(Elderly Filipino Week Celebration)

To : Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division Superintendents
Heads of Private Elementary and Secondary Schools
Vocational Schools Superintendents/Administrators

1. In line with the Presidential Proclamation No. 470 dated 26 September 1994 declaring the first week of October every year as "Linggo ng Katandaang Pilipino" (Elderly Filipino Week), the Department of Education, Culture and Sports, in connection with other agencies, will hold a one-day celebration on October 2 focusing on the theme "*Katandaang Pilipino: Mga Tunay na Bayani at Hiyas ng Bansa.*"
2. Elementary and secondary schools nationwide are encouraged to observe this year's celebration from October 01-07.
3. Enclosed is a copy of Presidential Proclamation No. 470 and its inclosure are the Schedule of Activities. Similar appropriate activities can be undertaken in the public and private elementary and secondary schools.
4. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum for the information of all concerned is desired.


RICARDO T. GLORIA
Secretary

Incls.: As stated

Reference: None

Allotment: 1--(D.O. 50-97)

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MALACAÑANG
Manila

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES

PROCLAMATION NO. 470

DECLARING THE FIRST WEEK OF OCTOBER OF EVERY YEAR AS LINGGO
NG KATANDAANG FILIPINO (ELDERLY FILIPINO WEEK)

WHEREAS, The United Nations adopted the General Assembly Resolution 37/51 of 3 December 1982 to pursue an international Action Plan on Ageing;

WHEREAS, The Executive Department, through the Department of Social Welfare and Development, is responsible for the development of a social welfare programme designed to promote the well-being of the elderly;

WHEREAS, Republic Act 7432 maximizes the contribution of Senior Citizens to nation building and grants benefits and special privileges to senior citizens who are at least 60 years of age with an income not exceeding P60,000 annually;

WHEREAS, The elderly population is becoming the fastest growing sector of the population and is expected to double before the year 2000;

WHEREAS, The increasing population of elderly persons is entitled to adequate food, shelter, clothing, and health care and should be provided with opportunities for livelihood, family and community support and self-help;

WHEREAS, Elderly persons should, likewise, have access to appropriate educational and training programmes either as participants or as resource providers, considering their wealth of experience and capabilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby amend Proclamation No. 1503, s. 1975, and declare the period from October 1 to 7, 1994, and every first week of October of every year as Linggo ng Katandaang Filipino (Elderly Filipino Week).

Linggo ng Katandaang Filipino
(Elderly Filipino Week)

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The Department of Social Welfare and Development, the Department of Health, Department of Educational, Culture, and Sports, Department of Interior and Local Government, and Coalition of Services for the Elderly (COSE) shall coordinate with and provide the necessary assistance to the Federation of Senior Citizens Associations of the Philippines (FSCAP, a non-government organization with nationwide machinery for carrying out the activities for the week. The Secretary of Social Welfare and Development shall chair the national committee it is to constitute, with FSCAP as permanent Secretariat.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to affixed.

Done in the City of Manila, this 26th day of September, in the year of Our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety four.

(Signed)
FIDEL V. RAMOS

By the President:

TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

(Inclosure No. 2)

ELDERLY FILIPINO WEEK
Activities per Presidential Proclamation 470
October 1-7, 1997

Theme Katandaang Pilipino - Mga Limay na Bayani at Hiyas ng Bansa

SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

DATE	NATIONAL LEVEL ACTIVITY	LEAD AGENCY
October 1, 1997 (Wednesday)	Launching Program Launching of a Video Documentary entitled : State of the Order Filipino	DSWD-Manila Foundation for the Elderly
October 2, 1997 (Thursday)	Paligsahan ng Talino (Balagtasan, Rondalla, Tulaan, Awitan at Kundiman)	DECS/DILG/FSCAP
October 3, 1997 (Friday)	Free Medical Clinic (ECG, Diabetes Screening, etc.)	DOH/St. Lukes Medical Center
October 4, 1997 (Saturday)	Sports and Social Activities (Ballroom Dancing, Aerobics, etc.)	Philippine Sports Commission
October 5, 1997 (Sunday)	Sampung Ulihang Nakatalanda Award — St. Paul Auditionum Pagdakila sa mga Katandaang Pilipino sa larangan ng Kultura — PNP Multi-Purpose Hall, Camp Crame	COSE Philippine Cultural Revival Society
October 6, 1997 (Monday)	National FSCAP Congress Concert of the Stars	BDPW-DSWD/ FSCAP
October 7, 1997 (Tuesday)	Elderly Lingap Awards	BDPW-DSWD

	LOCAL LEVEL ACTIVITY	LEAD AGENCY
October 1, 1997 (Wednesday)	Launching Activities/Religious Services to be conducted in respective churches	Local FSCAP, LGUs
October 2, 1997 (Thursday)	Paligsahan ng Talino (Balagtasan, Rondalla, Tulaan, Awitan at Kundiman) Tree Planting Hataw Bayan (taped exercises for the elderly)	DECS/DILG/FSCAP FSCAP
October 3, 1997 (Friday)	Free Medical Clinic (ECG, Diabetes Screening, etc.) Educational and Cultural Program	DOH/Local Government Units DECS
October 4, 1997 (Saturday)	Public Information * Talakayan * Symposium on the Theme and Activities Sportsfest and Recreational Activities,	FSCAP, with the assistance of respective LGUs Local FSCAP
October 5, 1997		
October 6, 1997 (Monday)	Social Activities (Ballroom- Dancing, Aerobics, etc.)	Local FSCAP
October 7, 1997 (Tuesday)	Closing Program * Awarding * Coronation * Socials	FSCAP/LGUs