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NATIONAL CHILDREN'S MONTH CELEBRATION

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Directors of Services, Centers and Heads of Units
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Private Elementary and Secondary Schools Principals

1. In compliance with Presidential Proclamation No. 267, s. 1993 declaring the month of October of every year as National Children's Month, the Department of Education, Culture and Sports (DECS) in coordination with the Council for the Welfare of Children (CWC) announces the celebration of the National Children's Month on October 2000. The theme of this year's celebration is "Itaguyod Makabatang Pamayanan sa 2000" which underscores the vision of creating a child-friendly society for the Filipino children in the 21st century.

2. In line with this celebration, the regional offices and concerned agencies are enjoined to undertake child-related activities to highlight the role of children in community life and nation-building and uphold the rights of children to speak up and be counted. Suggested activities may include the following:

- a. hanging a streamer carrying this year's theme;
- b. conducting seminar-workshop and other related activities on current issues on children;
- c. organizing child-friendly activities for employees, dependents and other audiences (e.g. art contests, kiddie fairs, etc.);
- d. supporting photo or art exhibits and film showing; and
- e. sponsoring free mobile services (medical/dental, others) to less fortunate children and their families.

3. Expenses incurred relative to the conduct of said celebration shall be charged against local funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

4. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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Secretary

Reference:
DECS Memorandum: No. 447, s. 1999
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