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2003 DISASTER CONSCIOUSNESS MONTH

To:

Bureau Directors

Regional Directors

Schools Division/City Superintendents

Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools

All Others Concerned

- 1. Pursuant to Executive Order No. 137, s. 1999, the National Disaster Coordination Council (NDCC) spearheads the celebration of the 2003 National Disaster Consciousness Month held on July 1-31, 2003. This year's theme will be "Sama-Sama sa Dapat na Depensa...Laban sa Kalamidad, Tuloy sa Pag-unlad".
- 2. In conjunction with this month-long celebration, the regional and division offices are encouraged to coordinate with their Local Disaster Coordinating Council counterparts in undertaking the suggested activities below in observance of the 2003 Disaster Consciousness Month.
 - (a) Display of streamers; (b) Invitation of resource persons to speak on disaster preparedness during the Monday Flag Ceremony, class/school program, etc.; (c) Classroom discussion on disaster preparedness; (d) Disaster Management Orientation Program; (e) School-based poster making and essay writing contest; and (f) Distribution of brochures, pamphlets on disaster preparedness.
- 3. This celebration also includes workshops and seminars to increase awareness on disaster preparedness, to gain knowledge and techniques in responding properly to emergency occurences like fire, earthquake, flash floods and other crises/situations and to conduct emergency and evacuation drills, as well as managing the school as evacuation center.
- 4. Immediate and wide dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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