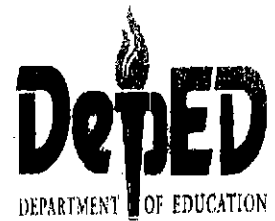




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**NATIONAL CALL TO PRAYER AND FASTING FOR HONESTY, ORDERLY
AND PEACEFUL ELECTIONS (HOPE)**

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. The EDSA People Power Commission (EPPC) will initiate a National Call to Prayer and Fasting for Honest, Orderly and Peaceful Elections (HOPE) during the 40-day period from March 31, 2003 to May 9, 2004.
2. The call is for citizens to volunteer at least a day of prayer and fasting within the 40-day period.
3. Enclosed is a sign-up form for endorsement to all members.
4. For more information, please contact **Ms. Loretta A. Lina**, Executive Director, EPPC at tel. no. (02) 634-1881, telefax no. (02) 633-2928, e-mail address: eppc2003@yahoo.com, or visit them at 6th Floor Agustin 1 Bldg., Emerald Ave., cor. Doña Julia Vargas Ave., Ortigas Center, Pasig City.
5. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.


EDILBERTO C. DE JESUS
Secretary

Encl.:
As stated

Reference:
DECS Order: No. 8, s. 1998

Allotment: 1—(D.O. 50-97)

To be indicated in the Perpetual Index
under the following subjects:

CAMPAIGN

ELECTIONS

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A NATIONAL CALL TO PRAYER AND FASTING FOR HONEST, ORDERLY AND PEACEFUL ELECTIONS (HOPE)

We, the EDSA People Power Commission, believe that national change has a spiritual dimension. We acknowledge that prayer and fasting are among the best weapons people of every faith can wield to overcome strongholds in the life of the nation. Just as the miraculous intervention of the Holy Spirit brought peace in the EDSA People Power Revolution, we continue to invoke God's grace and mercy in this year's elections. With thousands of believing citizens fasting and praying in faith for forty days, surely God will hear our desperate cry and answer our prayers.

In line with this, we are calling on all citizens to sign up for at least one day of personal fasting and prayer within the 40-day period from March 31 to May 9, 2004. We want to see sign-up days being done in parishes and communities in major cities nationwide. Sign-up forms will be distributed to communities, congregations, parishes, prayer groups and civic organizations.

Other sign-up strategies such as text messaging through the major mobile networks, sign-up centers in schools, public places, and private companies will be done to invite hundreds of thousands to participate in this prayerful national activity.

We hope that this will help refocus the meaning of People Power to its true nature as an act of selflessness, and to help propel us to the unity and prosperity of a nation under God's blessings.

In the spirit of unity and love of country, let's storm heaven with our prayers!

- That the elected leaders embrace public service that is God-fearing and selfless
- That reconciliation, healing and unity come upon the people
- That the Will of God prevail and righteousness reign in the land.

Lord, hear our prayer!

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EDSA PEOPLE POWER COMMISSION
March 31 to May 9, 2004

PLEDGE OF COMMITMENT
A National Call To Prayer And Fasting For
Honest, Orderly And Peaceful Election

I will devote my time to pray for our country, and for the will of God to prevail in the elections.

NAME _____ AGE _____

ADDRESS _____

TEL NO _____

MOBILE NO _____

PARISH/COMMUNITY/FELLOWSHIP _____

In response to the call, I am signing up on the following day's (circle day's chosen)

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
MAR-APR			31	1	2	3	4
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
MAY	26	27	28	29	30	1	2
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9

I choose this mode of fast

- One full meal a day
- No food and drink
- No food
- Service
- Other

My Day/s of FAST _____

Suggested Prayer and Intentions:

Lord, I come to you on bended knees to plead that your Holy Spirit intervene in the coming elections. We experienced your Mighty Hand at EDSA, where peace was gained against all adversities. Now, we come to you again for the following intentions:

- That every Filipino citizen shall exercise responsibly his right & duty to vote
- To ensure the conduct of honest, orderly and peaceful elections
- To ensure the safety of all polling personnel, teachers, watchers, candidates and their supporters
- To thwart all works of evil, divisiveness, strife, discord, greed and deception
- That the result of the elections be accepted peacefully by the people

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**National Call To Prayer and Fasting for HOPE
Sign Up Tally Sheet**

Congregation/Parish _____
 Office/Organization _____
 Address _____

Contact Person _____
 Tel. Nos. _____
 Fax _____
 Mobile _____
 E-mail Address _____

Number of Fasters

March 31	10	20	30
April 1	11	21	May 1
2	12	22	2
3	13	23	3
4	14	24	4
5	15	25	5
6	16	26	6
7	17	27	7
8	18	28	8
9	19	29	9

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