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OBSERVANCE OF THE 113<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE MARTYRDOM  
OF DR. JOSE P. RIZAL

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

1. Presidential Proclamation No. 126 declares the month of December of every year as "Rizal Month". The National Historical Institute (NHI) was tasked to organize and undertake programs for the observance of the 113<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Martyrdom of Dr. Jose P. Rizal with the theme "**Kabayanihan ni Rizal: Daluyan ng Kagitingan at Pagkakaisa**".

2. In this connection, this Department through the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Special Projects and Legislative Liaison Jonathan E. Malaya enjoins the attendance, participation, and support of the regional, division and school officials, teachers, and students to the different programs and commemorative activities. Likewise, the said offices are requested to coordinate with their respective local government units (LGUs) with regards to their participation in the following events:

- a. Display of the Philippine Flag, buntings, and Rizal Day 2009 streamers;
- b. Film Showing of "Rizal sa Dapitan" at the Rizal Park Open Auditorium, Rizal Park, Manila on December 29 and 30, 2009. This will be open to the public;
- c. Martyrdom of Jose Rizal: A Light and Sound Presentation (6:00-6:30 p.m.) and Guided Tour (9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.) for free on December 28-30, 2009;
- d. Musical Play "**El Consejo delos Dioses**" (Council of the Gods) on December 30, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. at the Rizal Park Auditorium;
- e. Reenactment of Rizal's Walk from Fort Santiago to Luneta on December 30, 2009 at 5:00 p.m. to be followed by the commemorative rites;
- f. Simultaneous Flag Raising and Wreath Laying Ceremonies on December 30, 2009, 7 o'clock in the morning at the following sites and venues:
  - Rizal Monument, Baguio City with Her Excellency President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo as the Guest of Honor;
  - Rizal National Monument, Rizal Park, Manila with Vice President Noli de Castro as the Guest of Honor;



- San Nicolas, Ilocos Norte with Former President Fidel V. Ramos as the Guest of Honor;
- Rizal Shrine, Calamba City, Laguna (LGU);
- Rizal Shrine, Dapitan City (LGU);
- Davao City (LGU);
- Cebu City (LGU); and
- Various cities and municipalities nationwide.

3. All teachers, regional and division officials and employees who will attend the Flag Raising and Wreath Laying Ceremonies on December 30, 2009 at the sites and venues stated above shall be given two (2) days service credits.

4. Travel expenses of the members of the National Technical Working Committee, honoraria, documentation and communication, supplies and materials, preparatory and other incidental expenses shall be charged to OSEC funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

5. For more details, please contact the Special Events Unit (SEU) located at Room 505 Bonifacio Building, DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue, Pasig City at tel. nos. (02) 637-5832 and (02) 637-5834.

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

  
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 Undersecretary

Reference:

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