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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

TO : HEADS OF CONSTITUTIONAL BODIES; DEPARTMENTS, BUREAUS AND AGENCIES OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT; LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUs); GOVERNMENT-OWNED AND/OR CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS; AND STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

SUBJECT : Recitation of the "Panata sa Karapatang Pantao" during Monday flag ceremonies in celebration of the 60th Anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights

The Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR) turns 60 on December 10, 2008. To commemorate the anniversary of UDHR in the Philippines, the National Committee, which was created pursuant to Republic Act No. 9201, also known as the National Human Rights Consciousness Week Act of 2002, was activated. This committee, composed of the Commission on Human Rights, the Civil Service Commission and other agencies and private organizations, has organized a 60-day celebration which shall commence on October 10, 2008 and shall end on December 10, 2008, the 60th Anniversary of the UDHR.

In its meeting dated October 8, 2008, the National Committee adopted the *Panata sa Karapatang Pantao* which expresses an individual's commitment to human rights.

Thus, in order to encourage awareness and promotion of the UDHR, all government agencies are enjoined to recite the attached *Panata sa Karapatang Pantao* during every Monday's flag ceremony for the duration of the 60-day celebration.

For compliance.


RICARDO L. SALUDO
Chairman

November 10, 2008

PANATA SA KARAPATANG PANTAO

Ako'y mamamayang Pilipino.
Kikilalanin ko, igagalang, ipagtatanggol at isasakatuparan
ang dangal at karapatan ng bawat tao
nang walang pinapanigang kasarian, lipi, pananampalataya
at katayuan sa buhay.

Diringgin ko ang tinig ng kabataan, kababaihan,
nakatatanda, katutubo at mga taong may kapansanan
nang may paggalang at pagkilala sa kanilang kakayahan.

Titiyakin ko na ang bawat bata ay hindi salat sa pagkalinga,
at may matiwasay na lipunang ginagalawan.


Tututulan ko ang pagmamalabis sa kapangyarihan,
katiwalian, at pagyurak sa karapatan ng mga
manggagawa, mga mahihirap, at mga sektor na higit na
nangangailangan.

Paninindigan ko ang aking pananagutan sa aking kapwa.

Babantayan ko na gagampanan ng pamahalaan
ang kaniyang tungkulin na igalang, ipagtanggol at
isakatuparan ang mga karapatang pantao.

Magkapit-bisig tayo sa pagsulong sa katuparan
ng lahat ng Karapatang Pantao.

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