

**Republic of the Philippines**  
**CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION**



Serbisyo Sibil: Isang Daang Taong Paglilingkod

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**MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR**

**TO : ALL HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS, BUREAUS AND AGENCIES OF THE NATIONAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS INCLUDING GOVERNMENT-OWNED AND CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS, STATE COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES**

**SUBJECT: Attendance of Women and Men in Government in the National Women's Day Celebration on 8 March 2001**

Pursuant to Republic Act 6949 which declared March 8 of every year as a working holiday to be known as National Women's Day and Presidential Proclamation No. 227 providing for the yearly observance of the month of March as the Women's Month, the Civil Service Commission hereby enjoins once again the active participation and involvement of women and men in government in the celebration of the Women's Month by holding fitting activities in their respective agencies. Some of the highlights of past celebrations include the conduct of gender sensitivity seminars, women's sports competition (Palarong Pilipina 2000) and various fora on women's concerns.

This year's theme is: *"Kababaihan: Kabalikat sa Kapayapaan at Kaunlaran* in recognition of the critical role and meaningful contributions of women in society.

On 8 March 2001, the National Commission on the Role of Filipino Women, together with other agencies, is spearheading various activities for the National Women's Day Celebration which will be held at the Philippine Sports Arena (formerly ULTRA) in Pasig City from 8:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

All government agencies are enjoined to send a delegation and authorize the participation of government officials and employees on official time in the March 8 festivities. Transportation allowance shall be borne by their respective agencies. Additional expenses to be incurred in attending the Women's Day celebration shall be charged against the agency's allocation for Gender and Development (GAD) Programs, as provided for in the 2001 General Appropriations Act.

Confirmation of attendance and/or other inquiries on the activity shall be made to the Women's Month Celebration Secretariat at telephone numbers 735-1864/736-77-12 (c/o Chat), 735-4955 (c/o Cheng) or 736-5250 (c/o Louie).

  
**JOSE F. ERSTAIN, JR.**  
Commissioner-in-Charge

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