Republic of the Philippines
CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

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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 to the National Women's Day Celebration on 8 March 2000***

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 Proclamation No. 227 providing for the yearly observance of the month of March as Women's Role in History Month, the Civil Service Commission hereby enjoins the active involvement of all government agencies in celebrating the Women's Month.

With the theme *"Itaguyod: Lakas ng Kababaihan sa Bagong Milenyo"* (Support the Women Empowerment in the New Millennium), the National Commission on the Role of Filipino Women has organized a month-long celebration to highlight the significant contributions of women in all spheres. Each of the four weeks of March shall have distinct focus, namely: *Women in Non-Traditional Trades*, *Women in Sports*, *Women & Spirituality* and *Women in Science & Technology*.

On 8 March 2000, the National Women's Day celebration shall be held from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Philippine Sports Authority (formerly known as ULTRA), Pasig City. All government agencies are enjoined to send a delegation and authorize the participation of government staff and officials (women and men) 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 to the agency's allocation for Gender and Development (GAD) Programs, as provided for in the 2000 General Appropriations Act.

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Chairman

03 February 2000
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