MALACAÑANG Manila

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 186

ENJOINING OFFICIALS AND EMPLOYEES IN ALL DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES AND INSTRUMENTALITIES OF THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT, INCLUDING GOVERNMENT-OWNED AND CONTROLLED CORPORATIONS, TO ACTIVELY PARTICIPATE IN THE OBSERVANCE OF "GLOBAL WARMING AND CLIMATE CHANGE CONSCIOUSNESS WEEK" ON NOVEMBER 19 TO 25, 2009

Pursuant to Proclamation No. 1667, dated November 18, 2008, the period November 19 to 25, 2008 and every year thereafter has been declared as the "Global Warming and Climate Change Consciousness Week". The Proclamation aims to create awareness on global warming and climate change by pursuing broad and intensive information and educational campaign to inform the general public the awesome and terrifying consequences of this phenomenon and to secure the collective cooperation of our citizens, as well as the collective action of private and public sectors at all levels in finding solutions to this concern.

Relative thereto, the Office of the Presidential Adviser on Global Warming and Climate Change (OPACC), in cooperation with the Presidential Task Force on Climate Change (PTFCC) shall spearhead the observance of the "Global Warming and Climate Change Consciousness Week" from November 19 to 25, 2009.

All government offices, agencies and instrumentalities, including government-owned and controlled corporations are hereby enjoined to participate and help in the awareness campaign on climate change through the following activities:

1. Convening of a National Organizing Committee for the observance of "Global Warming and Climate Change Consciousness Week" to be headed by OPACC, with PTFCC Task Groups (DENR, DOE, DA, DOST, DOTC, DEPED, DILG, DPWH, DOH, DFA, NEDA, PIA, PAGASA, CHED, TESDA, NWRB, LMP, LCP) as committee members, including other relevant government agencies, especially media organizations with OPS-PIA (government TV stations NBN-4, RPN-9, IBC-13, Radyo ng Bayan) with the support of KBP.

- Holding of the Friday Climate Change Briefing with President Arroyo as a "Media Summit on Climate Change", developed into a national telethon over government TV stations, for a National Action Agenda on Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation.
- 3. Active participation in all activities/events for the week, from November 19-25, 2009, organized by OPACC and the PTFCC Task Groups, as well as initiatives in the private sector.
- 4. Conduct separate climate change activities (e.g. fora; lectures; film showing; tree planting; painting, poetry and poster contests and other similar activities) in respective government agencies throughout the week, with the special participation of the Cabinet Cluster on Education (DEPED, CHED, and TESDA) and the National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA).
- Display "Global Warming and Climate Change Consciousness Week" banners/tarpaulins in all government offices and GOCCs to drum-up public support for the week-long activities.

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately.

Manila, Philippines, 12 November 2009.

By authority of the President:

EXECUTIVE Secretary