

**Malacañang**  
**Manila**

**BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES**

**PROCLAMATION NO. 950**

**DECLARING DECEMBER 3, 2005 AS THE "ALALAY TULAK-LAKAD PARA SA MAY KAPANSANAN DAY"**

**WHEREAS**, December 3, has been declared by the United Nations as the "International Day of Disabled Persons";

**WHEREAS**, the Advocacy of the Rights and Privileges of Persons with Disabilities needs priority attention and action, particularly in developing countries like the Philippines;

**WHEREAS**, the children, youth, adults, and women with disabilities comprise ten (10%) percent of the country's population;

**WHEREAS**, the integration into the mainstream persons with disabilities as regards education, health, sports, entertainment, employment, and other aspects of human development needs to be fully implemented;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to synergize efforts and resources by both public and private sectors for the promotion and improvement of well-being of persons with disabilities to enable them to be part of our nation's development and progress.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO**, President of the Republic of the Philippines, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby declare the following:

**Section 1.** December 3, 2005 is hereby declared as the "*Alalay Tulak-Lakad Para sa May Kapansanan Day*".

**Section 2.** The National Council for the Welfare of Disabled Persons (NCWDP) shall be the lead agency for all the activities relative to the observance of "*Alalay Tulak-Lakad Para sa May Kapansanan Day*" with the Department of Health (DOH), Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD), Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), and National Anti-Poverty Commission (NAPC) as partner agencies.



**Section 3.** All public and private agencies and civil society organizations (CSOs) engaged in the development of persons with disabilities are hereby enjoined to maximize their efforts to help create a society that attains the full economic and social development of our disabled countrymen, particularly the disadvantaged, and to support "*Alalay Tulak-Lakad Para sa May Kapansanan Day*" in every way possible so as to make the advocacy concerning the persons with disabilities more productive, lasting and meaningful.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

**DONE IN THE** City of Manila, this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.



By the President:



**EDUARDO R. ERMITA**  
Executive Secretary

