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DOWN SYNDROME CONSCIOUSNESS MONTH

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Schools Division/City Superintendents
Heads, Public and Private Elementary and Secondary Schools

1. President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo issued Presidential Proclamation No. 157 dated February 18, 2002 declaring the month of February every year thereafter as the "**National Down Syndrome Consciousness Month.**"
2. The DSAPI was founded with the principal objective of promoting awareness among the citizenry about down syndrome. Since then, the Association has conducted activities aimed at achieving said objective with the support of private citizens and a few government agencies.
3. In this connection, the Department encourages all schools to promote Down Syndrome Consciousness during the month of February to educate the students about the facts and myths around down syndrome using materials provided by the DSAPI.
4. For more information, please contact **Ms. Rita S. Cruz**, President, DSAPI, 2nd Floor, 6372 Agrifina Building, Camia corner Meleguas St., Guadalupe Viejo, Makati City. tel. nos. 63 (2) 895-36-06 or telefax no. 63 (2) 895-96-42. E-mail Address: dsapi@hotmail.com, Website- <http://downsyndrome.org.ph/>
5. Wide and immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

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Undersecretary
Officer-in-Charge

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