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SUBJECT : 10th World Autism Awareness Day (WAAD)

On April 3, 2017, the country will celebrate the 10th World Autism Awareness Day (WAAD) pursuant to United Nations General Assembly adopted resolution 62/139. It declares WAAD as one of the only four official health-specific United Nations Days that will bring the world's attention to autism, a pervasive disorder that affects tens of millions of the human race.

With this year's theme "***Toward Autonomy and Self-Determination***", the Philippines under the auspices of National Council on Disability Affairs is joining with the rest of the world in commemorating the WAAD. A symbolic ceremony will be held on April 3 at the SM Mall of Asia, Pasay City where its iconic globe will be lighted blue at 6:00 o'clock in the evening.

To promote public awareness in the observance of the event, all government agencies are enjoined to undertake the following activities:

- Simultaneous lighting-up in blue of any edifices, landmarks and other related structures on April 3 at exactly 6:00pm; and
- Hanging of streamers in conspicuous areas within the office premises. The design and layout of the streamer can be downloaded at the NCDA website <http://www.ncda.gov.ph>.

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