

[ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 132, December 23, 2005]

DIRECTING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE NATIONAL HISTORICAL INSTITUTE TO LEAD THE ORGANIZATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES FOR THE 109th ANNIVERSARY OF THE MARTYRDOM OF DR. JOSE P. RIZAL ON DECEMBER 30, 2005

WHEREAS, December 30 of every year marks the death anniversary of Dr. Jose Rizal – patriot, martyr and national hero;

WHEREAS, Proclamation No. 126 (s. 2001) declared the month of December of every year as Rizal Month not only to give due recognition to Rizal's martyrdom but also to attain full impact to the nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GLORIA MACAPAGAL-ARROYO, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

SECTION 1. The Chairman of the National Historical Institute (NHI) is hereby directed to organize the observance of the 109th anniversary of the martyrdom of Dr. Jose Rizal for this year.

SECTION 2. The NHI, being the lead agency of this national celebration, shall convene the inter-agency task force to plan and implement effectively all programs, projects and activities related to this event.

SECTION 3. The inter-agency task force shall be composed of the NHI Chairman as Chair, with the Secretary of Education as Vice Chair. Other members of the inter-agency task force shall be designated by the NHI Chairman.

SECTION 4. All departments, bureaus, offices, national government agencies and local government units and government owned and/or controlled corporations are hereby enjoined to give full support, assistance and cooperation to the NHI Chairman in the exercise of his responsibilities under this Administrative Order.

SECTION 5. In support of the 109th Anniversary of the Martyrdom of Dr. Jose Rizal, all concerned agencies and local government units are hereby authorized to allocate such amounts as may be necessary to defray expenses for the said event, subject to budgetary laws and issuances.

SECTION 6. The Department of Budget and Management (DBM) is hereby authorized to release the amount of THREE MILLION PESOS (Php 3,000,000.00) chargeable against the President's Contingent Fund for FY 2005 under RA 9336 to carry out the provisions of this Administrative Order. Any deficiency shall be charged against the regular budget of the participating agencies.