[DECS ORDER NO. 98, August 20, 1991]

GUIDELINES ON STUDENT FARE DISCOUNTS

1. In pursuance of the Memorandum of Agreement made and entered into by and among the Department of Education, Culture and Sports (DECS), the Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board (LTFRB), the Land Transportation Office (LTO), the Philippine Information Agency (PIA), the Presidential Council for Youth Affairs (PCYA) and the Manila Jaycees, Inc. regarding the implementation and enforcement of the Student Fare Program (SFP), the following guidelines on student fare discounts are issued:

a. Coverage

- 1. **Students**: (a) All students presently enrolled in the *elementary* and *high school* levels can avail themselves of the student fare discounts from public utility buses (PUBs) and public utility jeepneys (PUJs) on school days, *i.e.*, Mondays-Fridays.
- (b) All students presently enrolled in the *collegiate level* and those enrolled in *vocational* and *technical schools* can avail themselves of the SFP from Mondays-Saturdays.
- (c) Students attending dancing and driving schools, schools of culinary arts, and short-term courses of seminar type are not *covered* by the SFP privilege.
- 2. **Public Utilities**: Buses, mini-buses, and jeepneys are covered by the directive. In the case of buses, the discount will apply only to ordinary buses.
- b. Discount (1) A student fare of 25% discount is strictly enforced this school year. The minimum fare of P1.50 for the first fourth kilometers, for example, is reduced to P1.15.
- 2. Philippine Air Lines (PAL) has an ongoing 15% discount afforded to students. discount privileges are available directly from all PAL offices throughout the country.
- c. Procedure A student must wear a valid ID issued by the school in which he/she is enrolled, duly signed by the registrar. The ID shall be plastic-sealed, with his or her picture in it and validated for the school year term/semester in which the discount is availed of.

In case of loss of an ID, a duplicate may be issued by the school.

- d. $Transportation\ Operators\ -$ (1)All drivers and conductors of PUBs and PUJs have been ordered by LTO/LTFRB to honor student fare discounts on school days.
- 2. Transportation operators/ employers have been asked by LTFRB to comply with the directive.