



Republic of the Philippines
Department of Education
REGION VIII - EASTERN VISAYAS

October 15, 2024

REGIONAL MEMORANDUM

No. **1273** s. 2024

80TH LEYTE LANDING ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATIVE PARADE

To: Schools Division Superintendents
All Others Concerned

1. With reference to Regional Memoranda No. 1173 s. 2024 and ESSD-2024-1232 s. 2024 relative to the conduct of Commemorative Parade for the 80th Leyte Landing Anniversary with the theme, "**Bayani ng Kahapon, Dakilang Huwaran ng mga Kabataan Ngayon,**" this Region, through the Education Support Services Division, hereby announces that the Grand Parade shall be on October 20, 2024.
2. The details of the event and the participating schools are in the attached Concept Note, which was annexed to the communication from the Leyte Provincial Government Tourism Office.
3. All teachers and non-teaching-participants of the identified participating schools shall be granted two days (2) days service credits for October 19, 2024 (Saturday), which is the schedule of the general rehearsal and on October 20, 2024 (Sunday), for the grand parade.
4. Immediate dissemination of and compliance with this Memorandum are desired.

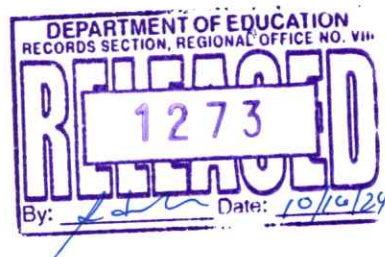

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Enclosures: None

References: None

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COMMEMORATIONS LEYTE LANDING

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THE COMMEMORATIVE PARADE
80TH LEYTE GULF LANDINGS COMMEMORATION
20 OCTOBER 2024
1330 HRS
Assembly: RTR Plaza
Leyte Capitol Commemoration: The Provincial Capitol Terrace

Theme

LEYTE 1944-2024

Bayani Ng Kahapon, Dakilang Huwaran ng mga Kabataan Ngayon
("Yesterday's Heroes, Today's Inspiration for the New Generation")

CONCEPT

The commemorative parade is held as a reminder of the events right after the landings when the liberation forces entered Tacloban to cheering crowds and the euphoria of a grateful people. The parade preceded the eventual re-establishment of the Commonwealth Government of the Philippines making the imposing Provincial Capitol of Leyte as seat of the national government on October 23, 1944 until February 1945.

Through this parade, we also wish to convey to the spectators the socio-economic and cultural gains that the Province of Leyte has achieved in the past 80 years after the war and the natural calamities that have ravaged its land and people. Because of the heroism of our veterans and the resilience of the people, we proudly celebrate today our victories... victories that mirrors the bravery and determination of our people.

With the Department of Education and its various schools in the different Divisions, the Organizing Committee led by the Provincial Government of Leyte, the City Government of Tacloban, we dedicate this parade to the people of Leyte, the country, and the world.

ORDER OF PARADE

FIRST DIVISION **The Military Contingents**

1. Grand Marshall 8ID PA
2. The Colors en Masse
3. 8th Infantry Division Band
4. THE VETERANS: *(In Military Jeeps)*
 - *The Australian Veterans*
 - *The American Veterans*
 - *The Filipino Veterans*
5. The U.S. Army Unit
6. Philippine Army Unit of the 8ID
6. ADFC Brass Band
7. PAF 5TH Air Reserve Center – Dept. of Air Science and Tactics EVSU
8. PN – Cancabato Unit – Dept. of Naval Science and Tactics EVSU

II **The Philippine National Police / Bureau of Fire Protection / SDAI**

1. PNP Band
2. PNP Contingent
3. Palo Ambassadors Band

PART II THE VICTORIES (Nurturing Liberty Regained)

And so it was
That destiny pinpointed the island of Leyte
This natural gateway to the golden east
As the gateway to the liberation of a struggling nation
The key to end the war in the Pacific.

1. VICTORY AT LEYTE GULF:

a) Macarthur Float - Province of Leyte

b) Allied Forces Enters Palo - Palo NHS

(with citizens wearing circa 1940's costumes and waving FIL-AM flaglets)

PART III WITH FERVOR BURNING "Alab Ng Puso"

69 years from that momentous event of the Leyte Landings . . .
On 8 November 2013...
Another beachhead occurred on the same
From White Beach to Red Beach and Blue Beach
In the form of tsunami-like storm surges wrought by a Super Typhoon
Never seen before in the world...
Leaving wave after wave of death and destruction
In our land we so dearly love...

- *FLOAT – HORRORS OF YOLANDA* *Tanauan NHS*
 - *Street Theatre Depiction* *Tanauan NHS*
- (Depict Hardships & Recovery Efforts w/ I-NGO's)*

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| 1. VICTORY AGAINST POVERTY | Palo I Central School |
| 2. VICTORY AGAINST ENVIRONMENTAL DEGRADATION | Palo II Central School |
| 3. VICTORY AGAINST MALNUTRITION AND DISEASES | San Jose National High School |
| 4. VICTORY AGAINST ILLITERACY | Panalaron Elementary School |
| 5. VICTORY AGAINST INSURGENCY | Sagkahan National High School |
| 6. BUILDING TOMORROW, TODAY | Rizal Central School |

EPILOGUE - Pag-asa Tungo sa Pagbangon (Building Back Better)

We gather to remember those who fell in 1944...
As we also remember our collective pain in 2013...
For us who survived...
Let us not forget and pass on to generation ahead
The TORCH of heroism of those who perished in these two events.
To the World who stood by us in our times of uncertainty, we say:

**RE-ENACTMENT:
RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF THE
COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT
AT THE PROVINCIAL CAPITOL OF LEYTE**

Prologue:

Just 3 days after the successful Landings of the Allied Forces in various parts of Leyte, General DOUGLAS MACARTHUR wasted no time to re-establish the legitimate government of the Commonwealth of the Philippines once more back on Philippine soil after its exile when then President Manuel L. Quezon left for Australia and the United States.

And so, on 23 October 1944, with the new President Sergio Osmena by his side, and his Cabinet, he proudly announced the full re-establishment of the Commonwealth Government of FREE PHILIPPINES at the foot of the iconic terrace of the LEYTE PROVINCIAL CAPITOL.

As soon as the parading soldiers of the American Forces triumphantly arrived at the white-columned Leyte Provincial Capitol accompanied by the cheering townspeople of Tacloban shouting VICTORY JOE, the formalities of the occasion unwounded and recorded for posterity, thereby making THE CAPITOL the temporary SEAT OF GOVERNMENT for the fledgling COMMONWEALTH OF THE PHILIPPINES.

Program Proper:

- I. RAISING OF THE COLORS (U.S. and PHILIPPINE COMMONWEALTH)
- II. STAR SPANGLED BANNER
TIERRA ADORADA
- III. MACARTHUR INDUCTS OSMENA INTO OFFICE AS PRESIDENT OF THE COMMONWEALTH GOVERNMENT OF FREE PHILIPPINES
- IV. SPEECH OF ACCEPTANCE by PRESIDENT SERGIO OSMENA
- V. COMMISSIONING OF COL. RUPERTO KANGLEON as GOVERNOR OF LEYTE
- VI. Band plays: HAPPY DAYS ARE HERE AGAIN
- VII. RECESSIONAL

**THANK YOU
DAMO NGA SALAMAT
DAGHANG SALAMAT**

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