Republic of the Philippines PAMBANSANG PANGASIWAAN NG PATUBIG (National Irrigation Administration) Lungsod ng Quezon

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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

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: THE DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR, ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATORS, DEPARTMENT/STAFF MANAGERS, REGIONAL/OPERATIONS/ PROJECT MANAGERS, PROVINCIAL IRRIGATION OFFICERS, IRRIGATION SUPERINTENDENTS AND ALL OTHERS CONCERNED

SUBJECT : OBSERVANCE OF IRRIGATION WEEK

Presidential Proclamation No. 256 dated April 28, 1988 declares the 3rd week of June each year as Irrigation Week.

This year, NIA shall observe Irrigation Week from June 17-22 with line-up of activitics intended to remind our employees and the public that irrigation is a key to increased agricultural productivity. It is therefore a major factor in providing higher food production to meet the rising consumption of our growing population. This year's theme is: Patubig sa Kabukiran, Maunlad na Kabuhayan.

To ensure national awareness of the importance of irrigation, all Regional and Project Offices are encouraged to hold simple but meaningful activities in observance of Irrigation Week. During the flag-raising ceremonies on June 17, Chiefs of Offices shall announce the observance of Irrigation Week and speak on Irrigation and its Role in Countryside Development. Other activities that you can undertake in your respective offices during the week are: cleaning of premises and irrigation facilities; planting of trees; display of posters and streamers; conduct of exhibits & tours; and dialogue with clients and local officials. Our culminating activity will be the awarding of Plaques and Certificates to Outstanding NIA Employees for CY 2001 on June 21 at the Central Office.

In view thereof, all NIA officials and employees are enjoined to actively support and participate in the celebration of Irrigation Week.

> JESUS EMMANUEL M. PARAS Administrator

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