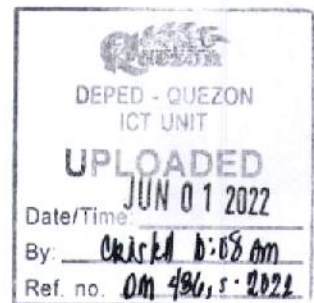




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Region IV-A  
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF QUEZON PROVINCE



30 May 2022

**Division Memorandum**  
DM No. 486 s.2022

**DISSEMINATION OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11699**

(An Act Declaring August 30 of Every Year as National Press Freedom Day and for Other Purposes)

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendents  
SGOD and CID Chiefs  
Education Program Supervisors,  
Public Schools District Supervisors  
Teachers and Personnel  
Public and Private Secondary and Elementary School Heads  
All Other Concerned

1. With reference to DM No 048 s. 2022 signed by Undersecretary Annalyn M. Sevilla, this division disseminates to the field the provisions of Republic Act 11699 otherwise known as An Act Declaring August 30 of every year as National Press Freedom Day and for other purposes.
2. For the information and guidance of all concerned, enclosed is a copy of RA 11699.
3. Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

**ELIAS A. ALICAYA JR. EdD**  
Assistant Schools Division Superintendent  
Officer-In-Charge  
Office of the Schools Division Superintendent

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- For the information and guidance of all concerned, enclosed is a copy of Republic Act No. 11699 dated April 13, 2022, titled **An Act Declaring August 30 of Every Year as National Press Freedom Day and for Other Purposes.**
- Immediate dissemination of this Memorandum is desired.

*[Signature]*  
**ANNALYN M. SEVILLA**  
 Undersecretary  
 Officer-in-Charge

Encl.:  
 As stated

Reference:  
 None

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Eighteenth Congress

Third Regular Session

Begun and held in Metro Manila, on Monday, the twenty-sixth  
day of July, two thousand twenty-one.

[ REPUBLIC ACT No. **11699** ]

AN ACT DECLARING AUGUST 30 OF EVERY YEAR  
AS "NATIONAL PRESS FREEDOM DAY" AND FOR  
OTHER PURPOSES

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the  
Philippines in Congress assembled:*

SECTION 1. August 30 of every year is hereby declared  
as "National Press Freedom Day", a working holiday, in honor  
of Marcelo H. Del Pilar, the father of Philippine Journalism,  
who wrote under the pen name "Plaridel", and who was born  
on August 30, 1850.

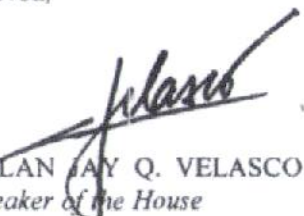
SEC. 2. To ensure the meaningful observance and  
celebration of National Press Freedom Day, all government  
agencies and instrumentalities, the Armed Forces of the

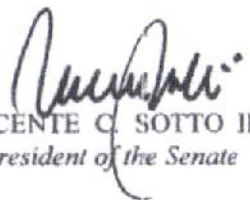
Philippines, the Philippine National Police, government-owned and controlled corporations, local government units, as well as the private sector shall afford sufficient time and opportunity for their employees to engage and participate in any related activity to be conducted in the premises of their respective offices or establishments.

SEC. 3. The Department of Education (DepEd), the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), and the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority (TESDA), in consultation with the Office of the President (OP), government and private media organizations, shall lead public and private schools at all levels in organizing consciousness-raising activities on the importance of the press, their rights and social responsibilities, and the elimination of all forms of violence against the press.


SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in any newspaper of general circulation.


Approved,

  
LORD ALLAN JAY Q. VELASCO  
*Speaker of the House  
of Representatives*

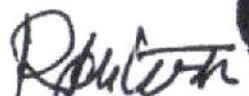
  
VICENTE C. SOTTO III  
*President of the Senate*

This Act was passed by the Senate of the Philippines as Senate Bill No. 670 on January 31, 2022 and adopted by the House of Representatives as an amendment to House Bill No. 9182 on February 2, 2022.

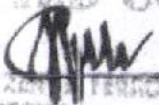
  
MARK LLANERO E. MENDOZA  
*Secretary General  
House of Representatives*

  
MYRA MARIE D. VILLARICA  
*Secretary of the Senate*

Approved: APR 13 2022

  
RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE  
*President of the Philippines*

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