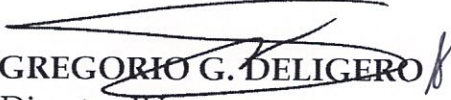


**Office of the President**  
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**MEMORANDUM**

**FOR** : **DR. AL RYAN S. ALEJANDRE, DPA**  
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National Commission for Culture and the Arts  
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**FROM** :   
**GREGORIO G. DELIGERO**  
Director IV  
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**SUBJECT** : **SIGNED MESSAGE FOR THE NATIONAL  
COMMISSION FOR CULTURE AND THE ARTS**

**DATE** : **13 APRIL 2021**

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This is to respectfully submit the President's signed message to the National Commission for Culture and the Arts as it leads the observance of National Heritage Month.

With kindest regards.



MALACAÑAN PALACE  
MANILA

## MESSAGE

My warmest greetings to the **National Commission for Culture and the Arts (NCCA)** as it leads the observance of **National Heritage Month**.

Our culture serves as a key to understanding our history and a significant element of our identity as a nation. I thus commend the NCCA for spearheading the promotion of our cultural heritage as we undertake the **Quincentennial Commemorations** of the events centuries ago that made this nation what it is today.

This year's celebration highlights the need to look back on the victories won by our forebears and the humanity that inspired them to emerge triumphant during difficult times. Let us all learn from the lessons of the past so that we may also succeed against the challenges we face today.

I support you in your endeavors as you continue to engage in heritage-related activities that will ensure the balanced development of our highly diverse society. Together, let us demonstrate solidarity as we strengthen our bayanihan spirit and forge a better future for every Filipino.

I wish you a meaningful event.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rodrigo Roa Duterte".

RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE

MANILA  
May 2021