



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Education**  
DIGOS CITY DIVISION

**Office of the Schools Division Superintendent**

**DIVISION MEMORANDUM**

SGOD-2026-248

To : HEALTH AND NUTRITION UNIT PERSONNEL

Subject : **INTERNATIONAL AIDS CANDLELIGHT MEMORIAL**

Date : May 20, 2026

1. This has reference from the letter of the City Health Office (CHO) informing the activity titled re: International Candlelight Memorial on May 21, 2026, 2:00 pm at Digos City Gym, Brgy. Zone 3, Digos City.
2. In line with this the identified health personnel are hereby directed to join the said event.

Name	Designation
Dheltmie Christine S. Penas, RN	ARH-Focal/STI/HIV/AIDS Focal Alternate
Frances Millicent R. Durano, RN	ARH-Focal Alternate/SHS District Nurse
Kristin Marie Y. Bejarin, RN	STI/HIV/AIDS Focal

3. Travel and incidental expenses shall be charged to local funds subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.
4. For information and strict compliance.

*Melanie P. Pestacio*  
MELANIE P. PESTACIO, Ph.D. CESO VI  
Schools Division Superintendent

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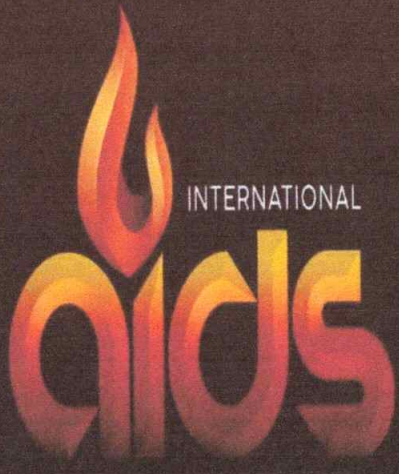


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INTERNATIONAL

CANDLELIGHT MEMORIAL

2026

LIGHT THE LEGACY

Remember · Advance · Act

"Keeping the Light Alive"

MAY 21, 2026  
2:00 PM

DIGOS CITY GYM

PARTNERS



NAME'S PROJECT PHILIPPINES  
AIDS Memorial Quilt

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Province of Davao del Sur  
City of Digos



## OFFICE OF THE CITY HEALTH OFFICER

May 15, 2026

Dear Ma'am/Sir,

The International AIDS Candlelight Memorial is celebrated on the third Sunday of May every year; it is an annual ceremony which was started in 1983 for people diagnosed with HIV. It is a time for us to remember the many lives lost to AIDS. It's an opportunity to honor those who dedicated their lives to help the people living & affected by HIV.


"Light the Legacy, Remember, Advance, Act Keeping the light alive is this year's International AIDS Candlelight Memorial theme and as a part of the Digos Reproductive Health & Wellness Center promotion initiatives, we will be commemorating this year's activity this coming May 21, 2026, 2PM at Digos City Gym, Brgy. Zone 3, Digos City.

In line with this I would like to invite 5 representatives from your institution to join us during the event. Your support & cooperation would give new generations a reason to hope & would help in addressing the discrimination & stigma associated with the disease.

I am hoping for your positive feedback on this request.

Thank you very much & more power.

Prepared by:

  
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