



CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES CHICAGO

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119th PHILIPPINE INDEPENDENCE DAY FLAG RAISING ON MONDAY, 12 JUNE 2017

In commemoration of the 119th Anniversary of the Proclamation of Philippine Independence, the Consulate General of the Philippines in Chicago cordially invites the members of the Filipino-American community to participate in the ***flag-raising ceremony to be held at the Daley Plaza in downtown Chicago (W. Washington and N. Clark Streets) on Monday, 12 June 2017 at 9:00 a.m.***

Conducted once a year, the raising and flying of the huge Philippine flag over the City of Chicago to mark the anniversary of Philippine Independence continue to be a source of great pride for the Filipino-American community.

A “*salu-salo*” or reception with the Filipino-American community will take place at the Consulate General right after the flag raising at the plaza. Hon. Salvador “Bong” Belaro, Jr., Assistant Majority Leader and *1-Ang Edukasyon* Party-list Representative of the 17th Congress, will be the guest of honor on that day.

The theme for this year’s Independence Day celebration is: “*Kalayaan 2017: Pagbabagong Sama-Samang Balikatin.*”

For more information, please contact the Consulate General’s Cultural Officer, Anna Liza F. Alcantara, at telephone no. (312) 583-0621 ext. 13 or send an email to the Consulate at chicagopcg@att.net.

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