



CONSULATE GENERAL OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES CHICAGO

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PCG JOINS PEACE DAY IN CHICAGO

The Philippine Consulate General in Chicago participated in the 40th Peace Day in Chicago held last Monday at the Daley Plaza.



*Mr. Sheridan Sabeniano, Protocol Officer of the Philippine Consulate General in Chicago, waves the Philippine flag as the entire assembly exclaims, "Peace in the Philippines!"
(Photo courtesy of DCG Romulo Victor Israel Jr.)*

The event which was started by the non-profit The Peace School on September 7, 1978 aims to gather Chicago residents and visitors from all walks of life and focus their wishes, thoughts and prayers for peace in each country and in the entire planet.

In recognition of the 2018 theme of the International Day of Peace, "The Right to Peace: The Universal Declaration of Human Rights at 70", the program highlighted messages from Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle, Illinois Department of Human Rights Janice Glenn, Chicago Commission on Human Relations Chairman Mona Noriega, City Colleges of Chicago Vice Chancellor Jen Mason and Community Organizer Oneida Bueno.

Chicago has the distinction of being the only major city in the world that has been conducting peace-building activities for the past 40 years and remains an official UN Peace Messenger City. Aside from the Peace Day ceremony, peacebuilding activities are being held in Chicago Public Schools, including a daily Peace Challenge and other public events from September 7 to 27, proclaimed as "Peace Days in Chicago" by Mayor Rahm Emanuel. **END**

