



MALACAÑAN PALACE  
MANILA

## MESSAGE

My warmest felicitations to the officers and members of the **Filipino Australian Association of the Northern Territory (FAANT) Inc.** as you commemorate your **20th Barrio Fiesta**.

Fiestas are occasions to celebrate our pride and honor as Filipinos. What makes it more heartwarming is to know that even amidst hundreds of miles away from our homeland, our overseas kababayans take time to organize special events like this to promote our most cherished culture and traditions, and bestow upon our children the great sense of community and patriotism that make us unique.

May you continue to soar to greater heights and contribute your expertise to your adoptive country. I also challenge you to help our government in uplifting the lives of our countrymen, back here in the Philippines.

I wish you a happy and meaningful fiesta.

RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE

MANILA  
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THE PRESIDENT OF THE PHILIPPINES