



Republic of the Philippines
Supreme Court
Manila

MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 26 - 2024

OBSERVANCE OF EARTH HOUR ON MARCH 23, 2024

I encourage all justices, judges, and court personnel to join the Earth Hour on March 23, 2024.

Earth Hour is one hour in a year where we can come in solidarity to show that we actively care about our only planet. This collective effort pushes us to think of our carbon footprint and energy consumption. While we turn off our lights, may we also reflect on how fragile the Earth is and envision ways to make life here more sustainable.

Climate change is an existential threat. If we do not act now, we will continuously face record-breaking temperatures, rising sea levels, and stronger typhoons—all of which pose a threat to the lives of people, especially to developing countries like ours. In the next few years, the world will be significantly changed. Scientists have identified “points of no return” for several environmental elements of the Earth which, once breached, will be irreversible.

Saving the Earth is not just about us. It is about every living being, and those who are still to exist. May our legacy to them be a safe and livable planet.

For your consideration.

March 8, 2024.

International Women's Day

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, belonging to Marvic M.V.F. Leonen.

MARVIC M.V.F LEONEN
*Senior Associate Justice and
Acting Chief Justice
(Per Special Order No. 3072)*