



## **UNITY STATEMENT OF PARTICIPANTS TO THE WOMEN IN PARALYMPIC SPORTS LEADERSHIP TRAINING SEMINAR**

**We, participants of the Women in Paralympic Sports Leadership Training, conducted on December 15-17, 2008 in SWADCAP, Taguig City, agree to work together to increase participation of girls and women with disabilities in paralympic sports.**

To attain this objective, we resolve to do the following:

**1. Identify girls and women with disabilities who are potential athletes by:**

- Obtaining secondary data from doctors, DSWD, sports associations, medical groups, NCDA, Dep Ed, barangay council
- Conducting surveys
- Holding house to house visits

**2. Determine sports classification of identified potential athletes through the assistance of PHILSPADA-NPC Philippines.**

**3. Raise awareness on sports opportunities for girls and women with disabilities through:**

- Orientation for teachers, parents and family members, leaders of organizations, and the public
- Information dissemination on available opportunities
- Introduction to websites and newsletters on available sports opportunities and competitions, and technical information on paralympic sports

**4. Form organizations and/or obtain support of existing organizations for the promotion of participation in sports activities of girls and women with disabilities**

**5. Facilitate the training and involvement of girls and women with disabilities in various sports competitions through:**

- Provision of training and coaching assistance
- Searching for available equipment
- Coordination with PhilSPADA, Department of Education, PSC, NCDA and other groups on their sports programs
- Networking with various individuals, groups and organizations that can assist in this endeavor.
- Fund sourcing
- Participation in competitions whenever possible.

We commit our time, resources, skills, and services for the furtherance of these objectives, for the greatest good of girls and women with disabilities, in particular, and for persons with disabilities in general.

Signed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2008 in Taguig City, Philippines.