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#### **Government Notifications**

#### MINISTRY OF HOUSING, CONSTRUCTIONS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS

#### **Declaring National Cinema Day**

BY virtue of the powers vested in me as the Minister in charge of the subject under Section 61.(2) O of National Films Corporation Act, No. 47 of 1971 amended by Act No. 45 of 1980, I do hereby declare 05th of April, on which the birth anniversary of Dr. Lester James Peries, veteran film maker, who marked the turning point of the cinema by his work "Rekava" creating an authentic expression of local cinema and releasing Sri Lankan cinema from the South Indian influence, falls as the 'National Cinema Day' in felicitation of the exemplary service rendered by Dr. Lester James Peries.

Sajith Premadasa, Minister of Housing, Constructions and Cultural Affairs.

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