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RDC-CAR Resolution No. 30
Series of 2012

**INTENSIFYING ADVOCACY OF THE NATIONAL
SALT IODIZATION PROGRAM**

WHEREAS, Republic Act 8172, an Act Promoting Salt Iodization Nationwide (ASIN) was passed in December 1995 to contribute to the elimination of the micronutrient malnutrition in the country, particularly iodine deficiency disorders (IDD) in which the National Salt Iodization Program (NSIP) has been launched with the Department of Health as the lead agency;

WHEREAS, the 2008 National Nutrition Survey revealed that there remains a low compliance in the use of iodized salt where out of 80.4% who claim they are aware of the importance of iodized salt, only 53.4% use it;

WHEREAS, the same survey showed that 18.3% pregnant and 24.4% lactating women in the region are deficient of iodine that may lead to miscarriage, stillbirths, deafness, muteness, physical and mental retardation;

WHEREAS, it had been observed that the Salt Iodization Program particularly the campaign to use iodized salt has not been as active as in the past coupled with non-functioning Iodization Plant in some provinces;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion duly seconded, **BE IT:**

RESOLVED, that RDC enjoins LGUs and concerned agencies to intensify their advocacy on the NSIP;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that LGUs revive their ASIN task forces as a mechanism to ensure active advocacy and compliance to the ASIN Law including the processing of iodized salt and its promotion;

RESOLVED FINALLY, that this resolution be furnished to all LGUs and concerned agencies for appropriate action;

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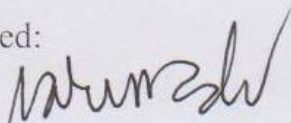
APPROVED this 22nd day of November 2012 at La Trinidad, Benguet, Philippines.

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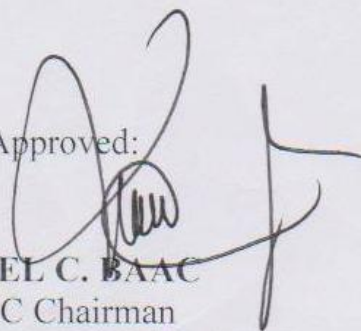
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