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RDC EXCOM RESOLUTION NO. 16, S. 2011

ENJOINING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO SUPPORT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MEDIUM TERM PHILIPPINE PLAN OF ACTION FOR NUTRITION (MTPPAN) 2011-2016

WHEREAS, in CY 2008, the Food and Nutrition Institute reported that the Philippines was the fourth among countries with high prevalence of protein-energy malnutrition;

WHEREAS, FNRI further reported that 80% of the world's undernourished children live in just 20 countries, which include the Philippines;

WHEREAS, under the leadership of the National Nutrition Council, the Medium-Term Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (MTPPAN) for 2011-2016 was formulated as the country's blueprint to address malnutrition among Filipinos;

WHEREAS, the MTPPAN embodies the targets, strategies, programs, projects and activities that will be undertaken to ensure good nutrition among Filipinos especially the vulnerable and the marginalized;

WHEREAS, the MTPPAN is integral to the Medium Term Philippine Development Plan (MTPDP) and forms part of our response to the three Millennium Development Goals, namely:

- Goal 1: Eradicate extreme poverty Goal 4: Reduce infant mortality
- Goal 5: Improve maternal health

WHEREAS, in view of the devolution of social services, the local government units play crucial roles in the realization of the objectives of the MTPPAN to address malnutrition and to prioritize population groups and geographic areas that are at risk to malnutrition;

WHEREFORE, upon the recommendation of the Regional Social Development Committee (RSDC) through RSDC Resolution No. 1, s. 2011 and on motion duly seconded;

BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby RESOLVED, to enjoin the Local Government Units to support the implementation of the Medium Term Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (MTPPAN) 2011 - 2016;

RESOLVED FURTHER, to enjoin the NNC member agencies to perform their roles and responsibilities in support of the MTPPAN:

- 1. DOH- develop nutrition- related health programs,
- 2. DA ensure community and household food security through its policies, programs, and projects under the Agriculture and Fisheries Modernization Act of 1997,
- 3. DILG issue directives encouraging LGUs to incorporate nutrition programs and projects in their local development plans and annual investment plans,

4. DT1 - integrate nutrition considerations in their policies and programs, being the lead government agency which champion consumers welfare and business development, DepEd - ensure the improvement and promotion of the health and nutritional state of the school 5. populace through effective delivery of appropriate health and nutrition services and education, 6. DSWD - plan and develop operational guidelines for the Early Childhood Care and Development (ECCD) program for an integrated and convergent approach to provide health, nutrition and early education interventions for the survival, protection, development and participation of children, DOST - pursue efforts not only along defining the food consumption and nutritional status of the 7. Filipino population and upgrading research and development capabilities and mobilizing these for problem solving specific studies, but also in disseminating results therefrom to provide adequate and accurate data and in formation as well as responsive technologies to support the data base and technology requirements of the PPAN, DOLE - provide assistance in the implementation of the PPAN in terms of employment 8 opportunities. **RESOLVED FURTHER**, to request the concerned agencies to provide the necessary technical assistance to the local government units along the MTPPAN; RESOLVED FURTHER, to provide copies of this resolution to all Local Government Units and all concerned agencies for their information and appropriate action; RESOLVED FINALLY, to request the National Nutrition Council Regional Office 1 to conduct advocacy of the MTPPAN to all concerned agencies, private sector and non-government organizations and the local government units and to monitor the implementation of the same; APPROVED, this 20th day of April 2011 in San Fernando City. Certified Correct by: heronth ESTOR G. RILLON RDC ExCom I Secretary Attested by: LEONARDO N. QUITOS, JR. RDC ExCom I Vice Chairperson and Presiding Officer