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RNC Resolution No. 03, s 2011

REQUESTING THE RDC THROUGH THE RSDC TO REITERATE AMONG CONCERNED LOCAL CHIEF EXECUTIVES AND SANGGUNIANS TO CONSIDER THE CREATION OF MANDATORY NUTRITION ACTION OFFICER POSITION WITH NUTRITION OFFICE AT THE PROVINCIAL/CITY AND MUNICIPAL LEVELS TO STRENGTHEN NUTRITION PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION

WHEREAS, malnutrition and hunger has remained a serious concern in the country despite global and local efforts to alleviate this problem;

WHEREAS, the implementation of the Local Government Code is an effective mechanism to empower local government units to deliver health, nutrition and other related services among its constituents;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Code (LGC) gives Local Government Units more authority and responsibility in charting overall development in their respective areas for which the Local Development Plan serves as a development framework;

WHEREAS, intrinsic to this mandate is the delivery of basic services which include nutrition and related services;

WHEREAS, to be able to address the problem of malnutrition, there is a need to have a full time staff to plan, implement, monitor and evaluate nutrition and nutrition-related programs/projects and establish a nutrition office for its operations;

WHEREAS, the present set up is to designate Nutrition Action Officers from among staff of the local government but who are unable to devote 100% of their working time to nutrition and nutrition-realted activities since they are mandated to give priority to their basic function;

WHEREAS, the implementation of nutrition programs becomes fragmented and sporadic as a result;

WHEREAS, there is a need for the employment of a full time NUTRITION ACTION OFFICER who is able to fully integrate and coordinate efforts at the local level with full support and authority granted by the local chief executives;

WHEREAS, RDC Excom Resolution No. 20, s 1995 were passed enjoining support of Local Executives and Sanggunians but the result of the survey conducted by the National Nutrition Council, Regional Office I revealed a low percentage of full-time staff with nutrition office as follows:

PROVINCE/CITY/MUNICIPALITY

Ilocos Norte including (Laoag and Batac) Ilocos Sur (including Candon and Vigan) La Union (including San Fernando) Pangasinan (including Alaminos, Dagupan San Carlos and Urdaneta)

TOTAL 129 (P/C/M)

NO. OF FULL-TIME NAO WITH OFFICE

1 (PNAO only) 4 (2 CNAO & 2MNAO) 4 (PNAO, CNAO & 3MNAO) 11 (3CNAO & 8MNAO)

21 (2PNAO,5CNAO,13MNAO)

NOW THEREFORE, in view of the above premises, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to request to the RDC to reiterate among concerned Local Government Units to consider the creation of plantilla positions for Nutrition Action Officers at the Provincial, City and Municipal levels through a reclassification of existing positions by virtue of a Sangguniang Panlalawigan or Sangguniang Panlungsod or Sangguniang Bayan resolution including the establishment of a nutrition office and provision of appropriate operational funding support;

RESOLVED FINALLY, that the RSDC Secretariat shall provide feedback to the RNC on action taken on this matter;

DONE this 26th day of January 2011 at Gualoberto's Complex, Zigzag Road, City of Fernando, La Union.

Certified Correct:

RNC Secretary

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