

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Health
NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL

NNC GOVERNING BOARD
Resolution No. 1, Series of 2021

**Approving and Endorsing the Proposed Executive Order
Amending Section 5 of Executive Order No. 234 s. 1987**

WHEREAS, on October 9, 2019, Secretary Francisco T. Duque III recommended to President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, through the Office of the Executive Secretary Salvador C. Medialdea, the re-issuance of an appointment of Dr. Azucena M. Dayanghirang as *Executive Director [with the rank of Assistant Secretary]* similar to that of former incumbent Assistant Secretary Maria Bernardita T. Flores;

WHEREAS, on November 27, 2020, Executive Director (ED) Azucena M. Dayanghirang submitted to Cabinet Secretary Karlo Alexei B. Nograles a number of documents seeking his assistance to strengthen the National Nutrition Council (NNC);

WHEREAS, in response, Cabinet Secretary Nograles scheduled on January 26, 2021 ED Dayanghirang to present before the 56th Cabinet Assistance System (CAS) Meeting the NNC's proposal entitled "Strengthening the National Nutrition Council" wherein the sole requested action is the issuance of an Executive Order (EO) amending EO no. 234, s. 1987 by upgrading the position of the NNC Executive Director (ED) from ED III to ED IV (Assistant Secretary);

WHEREAS, after deliberation of the proposal during the 56th CAS meeting, ED Dayanghirang was requested, among others, to submit a proposed Executive Order;

WHEREAS, in compliance to the request, ED Dayanghirang presented to the NNC Governing Board the proposed draft EO for approval and endorsement to the concerned office/s of the Office of the President, as follows:

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. _____

**STRENGTHENING THE NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL BY
AMENDING SECTION 5 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 234 (S. 1987),
ENTITLED "REORGANIZATION ACT OF THE NATIONAL NUTRITION
COUNCIL"**

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree No. 491, as amended by Executive Order (EO) No. 234, created the National Nutrition Council (NNC) to formulate national food and nutrition policies and strategies for nutritional improvement as a critical component of improved quality of life;

WHEREAS, the said EO also created a Governing Board whose executive functions are exercised through a Secretariat headed by an Executive Director;

WHEREAS, to strengthen the NNC's policy-making and coordinating functions in planning, formulating and implementing nutrition policies, programs, and activities, and in seeking assistance in the form of personnel, facilities, and

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resources to any department, bureau, office, agency and other instrumentalities of the government, there is a need to upgrade the rank of the Executive Director;

WHEREAS, Section 17, Article VII of the Constitution provides that the President shall have control of all executive departments, bureaus and offices, and shall ensure that the laws are faithfully executed;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 85 of Republic Act No. 11518, the “General Appropriations Act for FY 2021”, the President is authorized to create new offices and modify the existing organizational structure of the agencies in the Executive branch, as well as create new positions or modify existing ones, whenever public interest so requires; and

NOW THEREFORE, I, RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE, President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order:

Section 1. Amendment. Section 5 of Executive Order No. 234 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“Section 5. Secretariat. The Council shall have a Secretariat which shall serve as its Executive arm. The Secretariat shall be headed by an Executive Director who shall be assisted by two Deputy Executive Directors, all of whom shall be appointed by the President.

The Executive Director shall hold a career position and shall have the same rank, salary, benefits, and other emoluments as that of a Department Assistant Secretary.”

Section 2. Funding. The budget necessary for the implementation of this Order shall be sourced from available funds of the NNC in the current General Appropriations Act. The subsequent funding requirements shall be included in the budget proposal of NNC, subject to the usual budgetary process.

Section 3. Repeal. All executive orders, rules and regulations, and other issuances or parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Order are hereby revoked, amended or modified accordingly.

Section 4. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

APPROVED in the City of Manila, Philippines, this ____ day of _____, in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Twenty-One.

By the President

SALVADOR C. MEDIALDEA
Executive Secretary

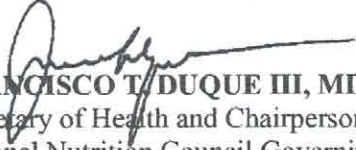
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NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the National Nutrition Council Governing Board approves and endorses the proposed Executive Order entitled **STRENGTHENING THE NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL BY AMENDING SECTION 5 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 234 (S. 1987), ENTITLED “REORGANIZATION ACT OF THE NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL”** to the concerned office/s of the Office of the President;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that ED Dayanghirang is designated as the focal person in coordinating with the concerned office/s of the Office of the President with respect to this Resolution.

Approved this 30th day of March 2021.


FRANCISCO T. DUQUE III, MD, MSc
Secretary of Health and Chairperson
National Nutrition Council Governing Board

Attested:


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Council Secretary and Executive Director
National Nutrition Council