

Republic of the Philippines National Nutrition Council XII Regional Nutrition Committee XII



REGIONAL NUTRITION COMMITTEE SOCCSKSARGEN REGION Resolution No. 002, Series 2023

ENJOINING THE REGIONAL LINE AGENCIES, LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS, HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS, STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES AND THE PRIVATE SECTORS IN REGION XII TO INSTITUTIONALIZE THE NUTRITION CAMPAIGN AND CONDUCT RELATED ACTIVITIES IN COORDINATION WITH THE NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL XII

WHEREAS, to achieve the goals of the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition in promoting, achieving, and maintaining the nutritional well-being of individuals, there is a need to institutionalize the nutrition campaign and conduct related activities for more sustainable strategies that augur well for the reduction of malnutrition.

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree 491 or the Nutrition Act of the Philippines (1974) mandates the National Nutrition Council (NNC) to lead and coordinate the nationwide Nutrition Month campaign every July;

WHEREAS, the Nutrition Month campaign aims to raise awareness on supporting Filipinos to improve access to affordable healthy diets to reduce malnutrition, food security, health, and quality of life;

WHEREAS, the 49th Nutrition Month theme focuses on food affordability with the theme "**Healthy diet gawing affordable for all**!";

WHEREAS, the Philippines, is committed to achieving the Sustainable Development Goals, including Target 2, "End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture" by 2030;

WHEREAS, achieving the SDG 2 targets requires ensuring that people have enough food to eat and that what they eat is nutritious. However, a major obstacle to achieving the SDG 2 targets is the rising cost and affordability of healthy diets;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Development Plan 2023-2028 includes as one of its goals and targets "Keep food and overall prices low and stable";

WHEREAS, the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition 2023-2028 is being enhanced to strengthen the food security component;

WHEREAS, this year's Nutrition Month theme provides a platform to bring to the attention of stakeholders the need for integrated actions on transforming food systems towards affordable healthy diets;

WHEREAS, the 49th Nutrition Month campaign aims to a) engage consumers to support improvements in levels of diet quality towards sustainable healthy diets; b) generate participation of stakeholders at various levels on actions towards enabling access to affordable, sustainable



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healthy diets; and, c) call support for the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition 2023-2028 as the framework for action to improve nutrition security;

WHEREAS, the Nutrition Month campaign has been institutionalized by government agencies, local government units (LGUs), higher education institutions and state universities and colleges and other stakeholders;

WHEREAS, during the Regional Nutrition Committee (RNC) Meeting on 28 February 2023 and RNC-RTWG Meeting on 30 June 2023, the National Nutrition Council XII sought the assistance and support of the member agencies of the Regional Nutrition Committee (RNC) for the 2023 Nutrition Month Campaign in July and conduct related activities in coordination with the National Nutrition Council XII.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the RLAs, LGUs, HEIs, SUCs, and the private sectors in Region XII shall actively participate in the 49th Nutrition Month campaign with the theme ""**Healthy diet gawing affordable for all**!".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the RLAs, LGUs, HEIs, SUCs, and the private sectors in Region XII shall:

- 1. support raising awareness among the public about the importance of affordable healthy diets in reducing malnutrition, improving food security, and enhancing overall health and quality of life
- 2. support and implement initiatives aimed at improving access to affordable, sustainable, and nutritious food options for all segments of the populations, particularly vulnerable groups such as children, pregnant women, lactating mothers, and the elderlies
- 3. collaborate with the National Nutrition Council XII to develop and implement programs, projects, and activities that promote the consumption of healthy diets and address affordability barrier

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, to establish partnerships and collaborations with relevant stakeholders, including civil society organizations, community groups, and the media, to amplify the reach and impact of the Nutrition Month campaign.

RESOLVED FURTHER, to request the Department of Interior and Local Government XII for the endorsement and dissemination of the RNC Resolution to respective Local Government Units and monitor its compliance and implementation;

RESOLVED FINALLY, that National Nutrition Council XII, as Secretariat of the Regional Nutrition Committee shall furnish a copy of this RNC Resolution to all member agencies of the RNC and elevate the same to the Regional Social Development Committee XII and Regional Development Council XII for advocacy and support.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED this 30th day of June, Two Thousand and Twenty-Three in Koronadal City.



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