



Republic of the Philippines  
**REGIONAL SUB-COMMITTEE ON NUTRITION**  
**SECTORAL COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT**  
CALABARZON



**RSCN-SCSD Resolution No. 1, Series 2019**

**ENJOINING THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS IN CALABARZON TO SUPPORT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RA 11148 OR THE FIRST 1000 DAYS LAW**

**WHEREAS**, malnutrition in the country particularly the level of stunting remained to be a public health problem at 33.4% and, in Calabarzon at 27.0% based on the FNRI DOST Expanded National Nutrition Survey (ENNS) Results in 2018;

**WHEREAS**, stunting is one of the irreversible effects of prolonged deprivation on proper nutrition and health services during the First 1000 Days of life of a child;

**WHEREAS**, the First 1000 Days of life refers to the day of conception of the mother up to the second year of life of a child;

**WHEREAS**, the First 1000 Days of life is critical to the cognitive development of a child and decreases the brain mass of a child to 40% affecting specifically the temporal lobe that is responsible for perception, comprehension, memory and language;

**WHEREAS**, a well-nourished child in the First 1000 Days are 10x more likely to overcome the most life-threatening childhood diseases, completes 4.6 more grade in school, get to earn 21% more in wages as adults, and are more likely as adults to have healthier families;

**WHEREAS**, the national government on September 2018 heeded the call in addressing stunting problem and passed the RA 11148 "An Act Scaling Up the National and Local Health and Nutrition Programs through a Strengthened Integrated Strategy for Maternal, Neonatal, Child Health and Nutrition in the First 1000 Days of Life, Appropriating Funds Therefor and For Other Purposes" and was approved on November 29, 2018;

**WHEREAS**, the National Nutrition Council together with the Department of Health (DOH), Department of Agriculture (DA) with other National Government Agencies (NGAs), the Local Government Units (LGUs), the Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) and other Stakeholders, shall develop a comprehensive and sustainable strategy for the First 1000 Days of life to address the health, nutrition and developmental problems affecting infants, young children, adolescent female and pregnant and lactating women;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, the NNC Calabarzon, enjoins the local government units to support the implementation of the ECCD First 1000 Days Law, particularly the health and nutrition program component as stipulated in Section 8 of the act;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, for the local chief executives through the Provincial, City and Municipal Nutrition Action Officers and/or Provincial, City and Municipal Health Officers to ensure that this resolution will be disseminated and implemented in their respective local government units;

**RESOLVED FINALLY**, the NNC to advocate to local nutrition committees in the region to include the identified program components of the RA 11148 be included in their respective Provincial, City and Municipal Nutrition Action Plans for CY 2020 onwards and to present, discuss and disseminate this resolution to all local government units in the region through meetings with the nutrition stakeholders and to monitor and ensure the full implementation of this resolution.

Unanimously approved, 22<sup>nd</sup> day of November 2019.

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