Republic of the Philippines REGIONAL NUTRITION COMMITTEE Caraga Region

RNC Resolution No. 07 Series 2021

ADOPTING THE IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES ON NUTRITION SHEPHERDING PROJECT FOR EFFECTIVE NUTRITION PROGRAM MANAGEMENT IN CARAGA REGION

WHEREAS, the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (PPAN) as the country's policy framework in addressing all forms of malnutrition calls for an enabling program focused on mobilization of local governments for effective nutrition program management;

WHEREAS, the NNC Governing Board through Resolution No. 4 series of 2019 approved the LGU Mobilization Plan/Strategy for PPAN to scale up efforts of mobilizing local government units in achieving desired nutrition outcomes in the remaining years of the PPAN implementation;

WHEREAS, the LGU mobilization strategy adopts a peer learning to strengthen local governance on nutrition which includes among others the Nutrition Shepherding Project that requires organization of a Regional Nutrition Shepherding Team to shepherd or mentor fellow LGUs;

WHEREAS, the Implementing Guidelines on Nutrition Shepherding Project for Effective Nutrition Program Management was issued by the NNC Secretariat to systematize and standardize the processes in shepherding LGUs across all regions;

WHEREAS, the said Guidelines which consolidates and builds on the gains and lessons from the implementation of the shepherding initiative by the NNC regional offices likewise aims to support and strengthen the NNC GB approved LGU Mobilization strategy for improved nutrition program management contributing to the achievement of PPAN outcomes.

NOW, THEREFORE, upon careful deliberation and consultation with the Regional Nutrition Technical Working Group and upon the motion of Department of Science and Technology Caraga representative, Ms. Kris Kimberly A. Baliña, duly seconded by the Department of Labor and Employment Caraga representative, Ms. Maida Lynn N. Jaguit:

BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Caraga Regional Nutrition Committee (RNC) in a meeting duly assembled and upon recommendation of the Regional Nutrition Technical Working Group, adopts the Implementing Guidelines on Nutrition Shepherding for Effective Nutrition Program Management hereto attached.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Caraga Regional Nutrition Committee and its partners, commit to fully support the implementation of the Guidelines;

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RESOLVED FINALLY, for the National Nutrition Council Caraga Regional Office as Secretariat of the RNC to cause the widest dissemination of the *Nutrition Shepherding Project* by furnishing all the member agencies of the RNC, the local government units, other regional partners, and the National Nutrition Council Secretariat a copy of this Resolution and ensure policy support of the Caraga Regional Development Council – Social Development Committee and to the Caraga Regional Development Council – Full Council for advocacy and support.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 9th day of December, Two Thousand and Twenty-One, in Butuan City.

Certified true and correct:

NIÑO ARCHIE S. LABORDO, MRD, PhD Secretary, Regional Nutrition Committee Regional Nutrition Program Coordinator National Nutrition Council Caraga

Approved by:

CESAR C. CASSION, MD, MPH, CESO III Chairperson, Regional Nutrition Committee Regional Director, Department of Health – Center for Health Development Caraga

Republic of the Philippines REGIONAL NUTRITION COMMITTEE Caraga Region

RNC Resolution No. 01 Series 2022

REORGANIZING THE CARAGA REGIONAL NUTRITION COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree No. 491, known as the Nutrition Act of the Philippines, signed on 25 June 1974, created the National Nutrition Council (NNC) as the highest policymaking and coordinating body on nutrition in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the Executive Order No. 234, Series of 1987, on the Reorganization of the NNC, stipulates that the Council shall be composed of [1] a Governing Board (GB) with 10 government member agencies and three representatives from the private sector to be appointed by the President of the Philippines whose main function focuses on policymaking relative to nutrition and [2] a Secretariat, whose main function focuses on coordinating nutrition programs;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (PPAN) is the country's framework for nutrition action, serves as a guide for national government, local government units, non-government organizations, development partners, and other stakeholders who want to be involved in nutrition action as it lays the targets, directions, and priority actions to address malnutrition particularly stunting, wasting, obesity and micronutrient deficiencies;

WHEREAS, malnutrition is a multi-faceted public concern requiring multi-sectoral interventions;

WHEREAS, to facilitate an effective and efficient implementation of the NNC's mandate and ensure proper coordination and operationalization of the PPAN across the country, a Regional Nutrition Committee (RNC) is necessary;

NOW THEREFORE, upon careful deliberation and consultation on the structure and membership of the RNC and upon the motion of National Economic and Development Authority Caraga representative, Ms. Rhea Carampatana-Mendez, duly seconded by the Department of the Interior and Local Government Caraga representative, Ms. Elenita S. Mandap:

BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED to reorganize the Caraga Regional Nutrition Committee, amending RNC Resolution No. 04, Series of 2015 on the expansion of RNC Membership, retaining the Regional Nutrition Action Officers (NAOs) Federation President as Member and inclusion of two non-government organizations as members.

RESOLVED, that the Caraga RNC, as the highest policymaking and coordinating body on nutrition in the region, shall function to:

- (a) formulate regional policies and nutrition plan and programs;
- (b) coordinate planning, monitoring, and evaluation of the regional nutrition programs;
- (c) harmonize nutrition and nutrition-related efforts of the RNC members;
- (d) submit policy recommendations to the NNC;
- (e) advocate and promote good nutrition; and
- (f) mobilize personnel and other resources whenever and wherever needed.

RESOLVED, that the Caraga RNC shall be composed of the Regional Directors and/or Office or Organization Heads of the following:

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- (1) Department of Health Caraga Chairperson
- (2) Department of Agriculture Caraga Vice-Chairperson
- (3) Department of the Interior and Local Government Caraga Vice-Chairperson
- (4) National Economic and Development Authority Caraga
- (5) Department of Education Caraga
- (6) Department of Social Welfare and Development Caraga
- (7) Department of Science and Technology Caraga
- (8) Department of Budget and Management Caraga
- (9) Department of Labor and Employment Caraga
- (10) Department of Trade and Industry Caraga
- (11) Department of Agrarian Reform Caraga
- (12) Philippine Information Agency Caraga
- (13) Commission on Population and Development Caraga
- (14) Caraga Regional Nutrition Action Officers Federation
- (15) Caraga MOVERS (Media Group for Nutrition)
- (16) Breastfeeding Nanays sa Caraga (Non-Government Organization)

RESOLVED, that the RNC shall have a Secretariat which shall be headed by the Regional Nutrition Program Coordinator of the NNC Caraga Regional Office. The Secretariat shall assist the RNC in all its activities.

RESOLVED FURTHER, that copies of this resolution be furnished to all members of the Regional Nutrition Committee.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED this 11th day of May, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two, in Butuan City.

Certified true and correct:

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NIÑO ARCHUE S. LABORDO, MRD, PhD Secretary, Regional Nutrition Committee Regional Nutrition Program Coordinator National Nutrition Council Caraga

Approved by:

CESAR C. CASSION, MD, MPH, CESO III Chairperson, Regional Nutrition Committee Regional Director, Department of Health – Center for Health Development Caraga

Republic of the Philippines REGIONAL NUTRITION COMMITTEE Caraga Region

RNC Resolution No. 07 Series 2022

ENJOINING ALL LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS OF CARAGA REGION TO ORGANIZE, REORGANIZE OR REVITALIZE LOCAL NUTRITION COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Philippine Constitution, Article XV, Section 3 states that "the State shall defend the right of children to assistance, including proper care and nutrition and special protection from all forms of neglect, abuse, cruelty, exploitation and other conditions prejudicial to their development";

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree 491 or the Nutrition Act of the Philippines declared that nutrition is a priority of the government to be implemented by all branches of the government in an integrated fashion;

WHEREAS, Republic Act 7160 or the Local Government Code devolved the responsibility for the delivery of basic services including nutrition to Local Government Units (LGUs);

WHEREAS, Letter of Instruction 441 instructed various departments of government to address malnutrition and for the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) to establish functioning nutrition committees in every region, province, city, municipality and barangay;

WHEREAS, the DILG issued Memorandum Circular 2018-42 on the Adoption of the Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition, which outlined the roles of LGUs in the formulation, revision/updating of local nutrition action plans and the organization and strengthening of Local Nutrition Committees at the provincial, city, municipal and barangay level with the local chief executive as chairperson;

WHEREAS, the Local Nutrition Committee (LNC) is the mechanism for planning, implementing, monitoring, evaluating, and coordinating the plan of action for nutrition at the local level;

WHEREAS, functions of the LNC include: [1] formulate a nutrition plan complementary to and integrated with other plan of the LGU and higher level plans; [2] advocate the adoption and financing of the plan; [3] coordinate and monitor nutrition and nutrition-related activities of member offices/agencies and other agencies; [4] mobilize resources to ensure the plan is implemented; [5] conduct periodic visits and meetings; [6] assess progress of plan implementation and recommend appropriate actions; [7] monitor performance of other nutrition program; [8] hold regular quarterly meetings to assess plan implementation; and [9] introduce innovation in the management of nutrition program.

WHEREAS, the results of the semestral monitoring revealed that many of the Local Nutrition Committees in the region are not fully functional;

WHEREAS, there is a need to organize or reorganize/revitalize many local nutrition committees at the city, municipal and barangay level to ensure efficient and effective planning, management, and implementation of nutrition programs and projects;

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NOW, THEREFORE, upon careful deliberation and consultation with the Regional Nutrition Technical Working Group and upon the motion of Department of Labor and Employment Caraga representative, Ms. Maida Lynn N. Jaguit, duly seconded by the Philippine Information Agency Caraga representative, Ms. Jennifer P. Gaitano:

BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the Caraga Regional Nutrition Committee (RNC) in a meeting duly assembled and upon recommendation of the Regional Nutrition Technical Working Group, to enjoin all Local Government Units in Caraga Region to organize, reorganize or revitalize their Local Nutrition Committee.

RESOLVED FURTHER, for the National Nutrition Council Caraga, as the Regional Nutrition Committee's Secretariat, with the assistance of the DILG Caraga, to furnish all local chief executives of Caraga Region a copy of the guidelines in organizing the local nutrition committees and provide technical assistance to the LGUs as needed.

RESOLVED FINALLY, for the National Nutrition Council Caraga, as the Regional Nutrition Committee's Secretariat, to furnish copy of this resolution to all member agencies of the Regional Nutrition Committee and ensure policy support of the Caraga Regional Development Council – Social Development Committee and of the Caraga Regional Development Council – Full Council for advocacy and support.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED this 14th day of November, Two Thousand and Twenty-Two, in Butuan City.

Certified true and correct:

NIÑO ARCHIE S. LABORDO, MRD, PhD Secretary, Regional Nutrition Committee Regional Nutrition Program Coordinator National Nutrition Council Caraga

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