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RNC-NCR RESOLUTION NO. 01 Series of 2015

RESOLUTION ORGANIZING THE REGIONAL SALT IODIZATION PROGRAM TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION

WHEREAS, Republic Act 8172 otherwise known as "An Act Promoting Salt Iodization Nationwide and for Related Purposes", or commonly called "ASIN Law" is a major step to end silent but tremendous nutritional problem called Iodine Deficiency Disorders (IDD) through the cost-effective preventive measure of salt iodization;

WHEREAS, efforts in the region to fully implement the ASIN Law were not sustained, thus the need to organize the *Regional Salt Iodization Program Technical Working Group (RSIP-TWG)* as a sub-group of the Regional Nutrition Committee;

WHEREAS, the RSIP-TWG shall be composed of seven (7) member - agencies of the Regional Nutrition Committee with <u>Department of Health - NCRO</u> as Chair and <u>National Nutrition</u> <u>Council-NCR</u> as Co-Chair:

- 1. Department of Interior and Local Government -NCR
- 2. Department of Social Welfare and Development NCR
- 3. Department of Education NCR
- 4. Philippine Information Agency NCR
- 5. Metro Manila Development Authority

WHEREAS, the RSIP - TWG shall include the following agencies as members to strengthen SIP advocacy and implementation;

- 1. Food and Drugs Administration NCR
- 2. Department of Trade and Industry -NCR
- 3. Department of Science and Technology NCR
- 4. Philippine Ports Authority NCR
- 5. Philippine National Police NCR
- 6. Regional President of Liga ng mga Barangay

WHEREAS, the functions of the RSIP-TWG are the following:

1) formulate strategies in support of the implementation of the National Salt Iodization Program (NSIP);



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- 2) manage and coordinate the NSIP in the region through formulating an annual NSIP operational plan, organizing city/municipal *Bantay Asin* Task Force (BATF) and coordinate with stakeholders like salt producers and traders;
- 3) lead in advocacy in the region for full and effective implementation of the ASIN Law and ensuring sustainable support to the program; and
- 4) monitoring and evaluating program implementation through meetings for an update on program implementation and to discuss and address implementation problems and issues, visits to warehouses of salt producers in coordination with FDA/LGUs, and monitoring salt in ports.

WHEREAS, the RSIP - TWG shall meet at least twice a year and that special meetings may be called as the need arises;

WHEREAS, NNC-NCR shall provide technical and secretariat support to the RSIP - TWG;

NOW, THEREFORE, **BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, by the Regional Nutrition Committee of the National Capital Region in a meeting duly assembled to organize the RSIP - TWG;

RESOLVED LASTLY, that the NNC-NCR Regional Office being the Secretariat of the RNC to furnish the NNC Central Office, all regional members of the RNC and RSIP – TWG and all local government units in the region a copy of this resolution.

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY AND ADOPTED, this 13th day of March 2015 during the first joint meeting of the Regional Nutrition Committee and Regional Management Group of NCR at the New Horizon Hotel, Mandaluyong City.

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