Republic of the Philippines Department of Health NATIONAL NUTRITION COUNCIL REGION VII

RNC Resolution No. 011-01 (s 2011)

"REQUESTING THE CENTRAL VISAYAS REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL TO ENJOIN LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS IN THE REGION TO IMPLEMENT PROGRAMS, ACTIVITIES AND PROJECTS IN SUPPORT OF THE MEDIUM TERM PHILIPPINE PLAN OF ACTION FOR NUTRITION 2011-2016"

WHEREAS, hunger and malnutrition continues to be a serious problem in the country. The percent of Filipino households with inadequate calorie intake decreased between 1990 (69.4%) and 2008 (66.7%). However, the rate of decline is slower (0.17) percentage point per year) when compared to the targeted decline of 1.5 percentage point per year to reach one of the targets of Millennium Development Goal (MDG 1) which is halving levels of hunger in 1990 by 2015 thus efforts should be geared toward achieving an annual reduction of 4 percentage points per year;

WHEREAS, studies have shown that prolong hunger leads to malnutrition. Malnutrition has negative consequences particularly early in life reduces learning capacity in the school-age, economic productivity in the adulthood and even on the development of non-communicable diseases like hypertension and diabetes. Undernutrition in childhood has also been identified to be the single major contributor to under-five child mortality;

WHEREAS, the Medium-Term Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (MTPPAN) is the country's response to malnutrition, vital to the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals by 2015 and an integral component of the Medium-Term Philippine Development Plan 2001-2015;

WHEREAS, the MTPPAN goals/strategies and thrusts is geared to contribute to improving the quality of the human resource base of the country and to reducing child and maternal mortality.

WHEREAS, the realization of the goals and objectives contained in the Medium -Term Philippine Plan of Action for Nutrition (MTPPAN) requires the integrated efforts of National Government Agencies (NGAs), Local Government Units (LGUs), Non-Government Organizations(NGOs), the business sector and the international community;

WHEREAS, the Central Visayas Regional Development Council (RDC 7), is the highest policy making body in the region composed of GA, LGUs, NGOs and representatives from the private sector;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the above premises, we the members of the Regional Nutrition Committee do hereby concur to request RDC 7 to enjoin all LGUs in the

region to implement programs, activities and projects that would support the implementation of the MTPPAN in Central Visayas;

APPROVED this 10th day of March 2011 during the RNC 1st Quarter RNC Full Committee Meeting held at Kamagong Conference Room, DOH-Center for Health Development 7, Osmeña Blvd., Cebu City.

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