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**NATIONAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE BOARD**  
**Resolution No. 021**  
**Series of 2022**

**APPROVING THE IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES FOR THE PROVISION OF YOUTH  
SCHOLARSHIP GRANTS ON ORGANIC FARMING**

**WHEREAS**, Section 5 of Republic Act 10068 (RA 10068), otherwise known as "The Organic Agriculture Act of 2010", established the National Organic Agriculture Program (NOAP);

**WHEREAS**, RA 10068 has been amended by RA 11511 and Section 2 thereof states to the effect, that the State reaffirms its policy to promote, propagate, develop further, and implement the practice of organic agriculture in the Philippines;

**WHEREAS**, Section 6 of RA 10068, as amended, provides that the National Organic Agriculture Board (NOAB) is the policy-making body mandated to provide direction and general guidelines for the implementation of the NOAP;

**WHEREAS**, agriculture plays a major role in economic growth and development, and farmers serve as the key player in achieving the country's goal towards food sovereignty. However, challenges facing the agriculture sector affect the decision of many Filipinos, especially the youth, to engage in agriculture. Due to the physical, psychological, and financial difficulties encountered by most farmers, most of them do not encourage their children to follow their footsteps.

**WHEREAS**, aside from the threat of shortage of farmers in the coming years because of their ageing population and the lack of interest of young Filipinos in agriculture, another problem of the country's agriculture sector is the negative impact of conventional farming in the environment and human health. Many environment-related problems such as heavy decline in soil productivity due to loss of soil organic matter, increased greenhouse gas emissions, soil erosion, and water pollution are attributed to the rampant usage of synthetic fertilizers and pesticides;

**WHEREAS**, considering all these and in accordance with RA 10068, as amended, the DA NOAP-NPCO designed a program that will encourage young Filipinos to engage in agriculture specifically in organic agriculture. The program is also designed to encourage the youth to adopt organic farming as their livelihood;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, considering the preceding premises, this Board, by the powers vested in it by RA 10068, as amended by RA 11511, has **RESOLVED**, as it now **RESOLVES**, approving the "Implementing Guidelines for the Provision of Youth Scholarship Grants on Organic Farming".

**RESOLVED FINALLY**, that a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the Secretary of Agriculture for the corresponding administrative issuance.



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**APPROVED** by a majority of the following members of the NOAB present in its 70th Regular Meeting held face-to-face and through teleconference on October 27, 2022, in Tayabas City, Quezon, Philippines.

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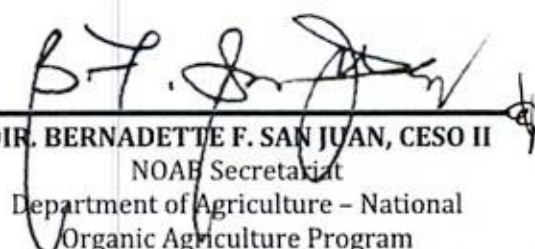

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