

NATIONAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE BOARD

Resolution No. 29
 Series of 2021

ASSIGNING THE BUREAU OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES STANDARDS (BAFS) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (DA) AS THE LEAD AGENCY TOGETHER WITH THE OTHER DA - REGULATORY AGENCIES, TO CREATE AND DEVELOP SINGLE UNIFIED SET OF RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE REGISTRATION OF ORGANIC PRODUCERS, PRODUCE, AND INPUTS PURSUANT TO SECTION 17 OF REPUBLIC ACT 10068 AS AMENDED BY REPUBLIC ACT 11511 AND ITS IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS

WHEREAS, the National Organic Agriculture Board (NOAB) is the policy-making body mandated under Section 6 of the RA No. 10068 as amended by RA No. 11511 (An Act Amending the Organic Agriculture Act of 2010), to provide direction and general guidelines for the implementation of the Program;

WHEREAS, under Section 9 (b) and (i) thereof, the law grants the NOAB the power, to formulate plans, projects and programs, to promulgate rules and regulations, and to exercise such other powers and functions necessary to carry out effectively the purposes and objectives of the amended OA Act, for its effective operations and for the continued enhancement, growth or development of organic agriculture in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, Section 17 thereof likewise provides for the registration of organic producers, produce, inputs and organic processed food, to wit:

“The BAFS of the DA shall be responsible for the registration of integrated organic farms and organic inputs such as organic soil amendments and organic bio-control agents. The Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI) of the DA shall be responsible for the registration of organic seeds, planting materials, and crops.

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The BAFS, BPI, BAI, BFAR and the DA shall come up with a single unified set of rules and regulations for the registration of organic produce and inputs. (italics supplied)

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WHEREAS, in order to come up with a unified set of guidelines to implement the above-quoted section of the amended OA Act, the aforementioned government agencies shall develop a single unified set of rules and regulations for the registration and monitoring of organic producers, produce, products, and inputs covering local and imported products consistent with the provisions of the RA No. 10068 as amended by RA No. 11511 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations.

NOW THEREFORE, considering the foregoing, this Honorable Board, by virtue of the powers vested in it by RA 10068, as amended, has **RESOLVED**, as it hereby **RESOLVES**, assigning the BAFS as the lead agency, together with other Regulatory Agencies of the Department of Agriculture to create and develop unified guidelines for the registration of organic producers, produce, and inputs pursuant to Section 17 of RA No. 10068 as amended by RA No. 11511 and its Implementing Rules and Regulations.

RESOLVED FINALLY, that the Office of the Secretary of Agriculture, Office of the UnderSecretary for Regulation, Assistant Secretary for Regulation, the BAFS and other DA Regulatory Agencies be furnished a copy of this resolution for their information and appropriate action.

APPROVED on this 24th day of SEPTEMBER, 2021,
 in QUEZON CITY VIA TELECONFERENCE by a majority of the following NOAB Members present:

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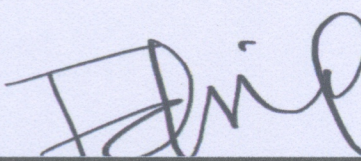


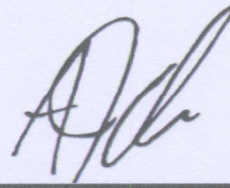
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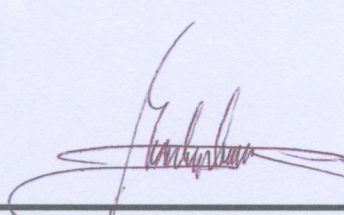
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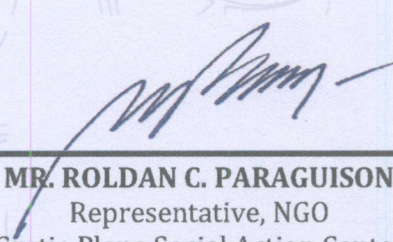
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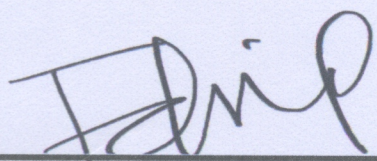


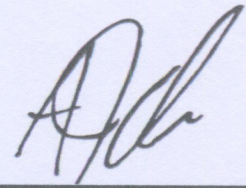
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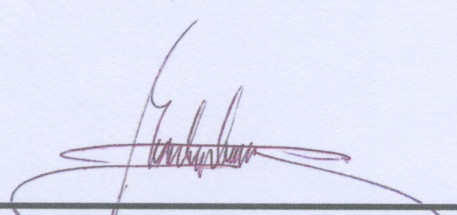
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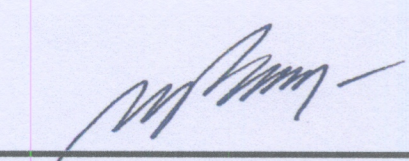
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