



NATIONAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE BOARD
Resolution No. 13
Series of 2023

RECOMMENDING THE RESULT OF THE SELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM SMALL FARMER ORGANIZATIONS, NON-GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS INVOLVED IN ORGANIC AGRICULTURE, AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR IN THE ORGANIC VALUE CHAIN AS MEMBERS OF THE NATIONAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE BOARD FOR THE TERM OF OFFICE 2023-2026

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 10068, also known as the Organic Agriculture Act of 2010, has been amended by Republic Act No. 11511 in December 2020, 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 5 of RA 10068, as amended, established the National Organic Agriculture Program (NOAP);

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

WHEREAS, Section 7 of R.A. 10068, as amended, prescribed the new composition of the NOAB with representatives from different national government agencies, small farmer organizations, non-government organizations (NGOs) involved in organic agriculture for at least three (3) years, agricultural colleges and universities, the private sector in the organic value chain, the national association of Participatory Guarantee System (PGS) groups, the national association of local government units (LGUs) actually engaged in organic agriculture, and the indigenous organic farmers;

WHEREAS, Section 7 of the amended Act further provides that the representatives to the NOAB from the small farmer organizations, the NGOs and the private sector shall be chosen by the Secretary of Agriculture from among the nominees submitted by their respective national organizations.

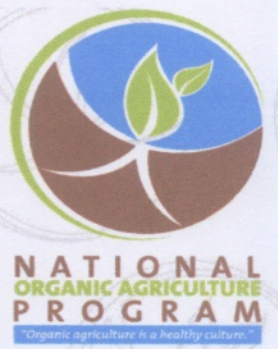
WHEREAS, the DA issued Memorandum Circular No. 42, Series of 2022, stipulating the revised guidelines for the selection and appointment of representatives from small farmer organizations, non-government organizations involved in organic agriculture, and the private sector in the organic value chain as members of the NOAB; this is pursuant to the RA 11511, which amended some provisions of RA 10068;

WHEREAS, the DA Regional Field Offices facilitated the call for nomination and submitted their nominees, together with the required supporting documents, to the National Technical Search Committee (NTSC); the NTSC conducted a series of meetings and validation and came up with the result of the selection process for endorsement to the NOAB;

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WHEREAS, the NTSC guarantees that utmost diligence and faithful application of the selection rules/criteria in all stages of validation were observed throughout the selection process to ensure that only the most qualified among the nominees would be endorsed for final selection;

NOW THEREFORE, considering the foregoing, this Honorable Board, by virtue of the powers vested in it by RA10068, as amended by RA 11511, has **RESOLVED**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to recommend the following result of the selection of representatives from small farmer organizations, non-government organizations involved in organic agriculture, and the private sector in the organic value chain as members of the NOAB for the term 2023-2026, for approval of the Secretary of Agriculture:

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Representative: Mr. Gabriel A. Arubio

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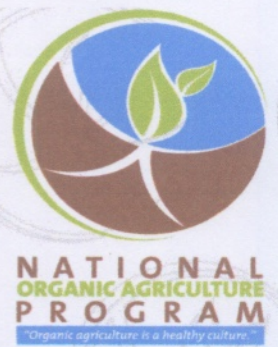
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RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Office of the Secretary of Agriculture and all other concerned offices be furnished a copy of this resolution for their information and appropriate action.

APPROVED on this 10th day of October 2023, in Manolo Fortich, Bukidnon, by the following NOAB Members present:

USEC. ZAMZAMIN L. AMPATUAN
Alternate Chairperson
Department of Agriculture (DA)
Date signed: 10-17-23



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