

NATIONAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE BOARD
Resolution No. 03
Series of 2016

APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE COLLABORATIVE DOCUMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (DILG) AND THE NATIONAL CONVERGENCE INITIATIVE (NCI) ENTITLED "TRANSFORMING COMMUNITIES THROUGH A SUSTAINABLE ORGANIC AGRICULTURE INDUSTRY: A GUIDELINE FOR THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS IN DEVELOPING LOCAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE PLAN"

WHEREAS, Section No. 05 of Republic Act No. 10068 otherwise known as the "Organic Agriculture Act of 2010" established the National Organic Agriculture Program (Program);

WHEREAS, the Honorable Board is the policy-making body mandated under Section 6 of RA No. 10068 to provide direction and general guidelines for the implementation of the Program;

WHEREAS, Section 9 of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of the RA 10068 authorizes the National Organic Agriculture Board (NOAB) to call upon any government agencies to carry out and implement identified programs and projects;

WHEREAS, cognizant of the role of the local government units (LGU) in the implementation of activities relative to the implementation of the NOAP provided under Section 14 of the Act, the Joint Memorandum Circular No. 02 of the DA and the DILG was issued in FY 2013 with the objective of providing clarification and promotion of the roles and responsibilities of the LGU in the implementation of the organic agriculture; and to encourage partnership and alliances among various government agencies;

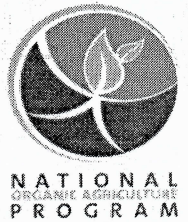
WHEREAS, the DILG in collaboration with the NCI (DA, DAR, and DENR) and with assistance from the NOAB, and the Local Economic Development (LGSP-LED) develop a guideline to provide a framework for LGU nationwide in developing proactive interventions in line with the RA 10068 and its IRR, and to serve as a guide for LGU in the institutionalization and implementation of the National Organic Agriculture Program.

WHEREAS, the development of the guideline is essential in addressing the different issues and challenges of the organic agriculture sector in the localities, and in contributing to the national targets of the Program

NOW, THEREFORE, this Honorable Board, by virtue of the powers vested in it by RA 10068, has **RESOLVED**, as it hereby **RESOLVES**, to approve and adopt the collaborative

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document of the DILG and the NCI entitled "Transforming Communities through a Sustainable Organic Agriculture Industry: A Guideline for Local Government Units in developing Local Organic Agriculture Plan";

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that the Local Government Units shall adopt the approved document in the development of OA plans and implementation of their OA programs

RESOLVED FINALLY, that all members of the NOAB, the Secretary of Agriculture, Secretary of Interior and Local Government, Secretary of Agrarian Reform, Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources, heads of concerned agencies and all NOAP operating units/implementing agencies be furnished with copies of this resolution for guidance and appropriate action.

APPROVED by the following Members of the Board via referendum:

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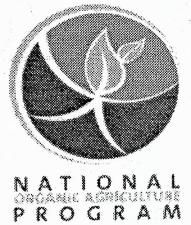
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