

Republic of the Philippines Department of Agriculture

NATIONAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE BOARD





NATIONAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE BOARD Resolution No. 15 Series of 2019

RECOMMENDING THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT TO INCLUDE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ORGANIC AGRICULTURE PROGRAM AS ONE OF THE CRITERIA FOR THE SEAL OF GOOD LOCAL GOVERNANCE (SGLG)

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 as the policy-making body mandated under Section 6 of RA 10068 to provide direction and general guidelines for the implementation of the NOAP;

WHEREAS, Section 14 of RA 10068 recognizes the pivotal role of the Local Government\
Units (LGUs) as front liners in the implementation of this Act through the issuance of ordinances or resolutions adopting the Organic Agriculture Program as a strategy to address concerns on food security, environment, health and wellness and poverty alleviation;

WHEREAS, the NOAB approved and adopted the 15th National Organic Agriculture Congress (NOAC) plenary resolutions recommending the inclusion of organic agriculture implementation as one of the criteria for Department of Interior and Local Government's Seal of Good Local Governance (SGLG);

WHEREAS, the SGLG is an assessment system that gives recognition to LGUs for their remarkable performance across the seven (7) governance areas: financial administration; disaster preparedness; social protection; business-friendliness and competitiveness; environmental protection; and tourism, culture and the arts;

WHEREAS, the inclusion of the organic agriculture as one of the criteria for SGLG shall ensure its adoption and implementation by all LGUs that would contribute to the attainment of the Program's goal of expanding the organic agriculture areas in the country.

NOW, THEREFORE, considering the foregoing, this Honorable Board, by virtue of the powers vested in it by RA 10068, has resolved, as it hereby RESOLVES, to recommend the Department of Interior and Local Government to include the implementation of organic agriculture program as one of the criteria for the Seal of Good Local Governance.



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RESOLVED FINALLY, that the Secretary of Agriculture, Secretary of Interior and Local Government, all members of the NOAB, the Program Coordinator of the National Organic Agriculture Program-National Program Coordinating Office, all Regional Executive Directors, and heads of 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 on the 17th day of July 2019 in Makati City:

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Alternate Chairperson
Department of Agriculture
Date signed:

ASEC. ROOSQUE B. CALACAT
Vice - Chairperson
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Date signed:

Date signed:

ASEC. MA. CELERINA G. AFABLE DIR. JOCELYN DR. ANDAYA Permanent Representative Permanent Representative Department of Education Department of Agrarian Reform Date signed: Date signed: DIR. PILAR MARILYN P. PAGAYUNAN DIR. SOFIO B. QUINTANA Permanent Representative Permanent Representative Department of Health Department of Environment and Natural Resources Date signed: _____ Date signed: _____



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