



**NATIONAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE BOARD**

**Resolution No. 16  
Series of 2019**

**RECOMMENDING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO INSTRUCT ALL ACCREDITED HOSPITALS TO SERVE ORGANIC FOOD**

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

**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. Section 9 (f) of the same Act provides that the NOAB may call upon any government agency to carry out and implement identified plans and programs;

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Health (DOH) is mandated to be the overall technical authority on health, and as a member department of the NOAB, is in the forefront of the promotion of good health through consumption of safe and nutritious food;

**WHEREAS**, the one of the outcomes of the National Organic Agriculture Program Document for FY 2017-2023 is improved health of its stakeholders;

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable Board, during its Clusters 2 & 3 Technical Committee Meetings in April 11, 2019 and May 22, 2019, recognized the need for the promotion of the health benefits of organic agriculture by serving organic food in hospitals;

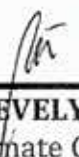
**NOW, THEREFORE**, this Honorable Board, by virtue of the powers vested in it by RA 10068, has **RESOLVED**, as it hereby **RESOLVES**, to recommend the DOH to instruct all accredited hospitals to serve organic food;

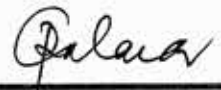
**RESOLVED, FURTHER**, that the DOH representative shall endorse the resolution to the appropriate offices in their Department, for their further study, dissemination, and implementation.

**RESOLVED, FINALLY**, that the Department of Agriculture through its National Organic Agriculture Program - National Program Coordinating Office, Regional Field Offices and other NOAP implementing agencies shall provide assistance in the form of technical and production support for the ensuring of adequate supply and market matching of producers and suppliers of organic produce.



**APPROVED** by the following Members of the Board on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of July 2019 in Makati City.

  
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Alternate Chairperson  
Department of Agriculture (DA)  
Date signed: \_\_\_\_\_

  
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Vice - Chairperson  
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Noted by:

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NOAB Secretary  
Date signed: 02/19/2019