



**NATIONAL ORGANIC AGRICULTURE BOARD**  
**Resolution No. 17**  
**Series of 2020**

**RECOMMENDING THE PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL WELFARE AND DEVELOPMENT ON ORGANIC AGRICULTURE**

**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;

**WHEREAS**, the Organic Agriculture Act of 2010 or Republic Act No. 10068 was enacted to promote and implement the practice of organic agriculture that will further promote the development of community-based industries that will provide clean, safe, nutritious, and sufficient food, water and health conducive environments; and reduce environmental pollution and ecosystem destruction;

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Social Welfare and Development (DSWD) is a government agency mandated to develop, administer and implement comprehensive social welfare programs designed to uplift the living conditions and empower the disadvantaged children, youth, women, older persons, person with disabilities, families in crisis or at-risk and communities needing assistance;

**WHEREAS**, the Department of Agriculture (DA) is mandated to promote agricultural development by providing support services needed for domestic and export-oriented business enterprises, therefore, with a primary concern for improving farm income and generating work opportunities and fisheries in the country;

**WHEREAS**, the DA implements the National Organic Agriculture Program (NOAP) that shall contribute to wider development goals economic empowerment and poverty reduction, improved health, quality of life and social justice, and environmental protection and resiliency;

**WHEREAS**, the DSWD implements the Pantawid Familyang Pilipino Program (4Ps), one of the key poverty alleviation programs of the national government that aims to contribute in breaking the intergenerational transmission of poverty in the country through investing in health and education of the household beneficiaries;

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**WHEREAS**, DA and DSWD recognize the need for a convergence project that will complement their existing programs aimed at contributing to poverty reduction and improved health and quality life of its beneficiaries.

**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 partnership between the DA and the DSWD on projects relating to the implementation of organic agriculture.

**RESOLVED, FURTHER**, that the DA and the DSWD shall enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) relative to the partnership on organic agriculture.

**RESOLVED, FINALLY**, that the DA and the DSWD shall jointly implement various activities to promote and further develop organic agriculture that will contribute to the improvement of health and nutrition of 4Ps beneficiaries.

**APPROVED** by the following Members of the NOAB on August 19, 2020:

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