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ULAP RESOLUTION No. _____ s. 2024

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE MATATAG AGENDA AND NATIONAL LEARNING RECOVERY PROGRAM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

WHEREAS, Vice President and Secretary of Education Sara Z. Duterte led the launching of the MATATAG Agenda on 30 January 2023, which seeks to enhance the basic education curriculum, improve the delivery of basic education facilities and services, promote the well-being of learners, and strengthen teacher competence.

WHEREAS, the Department of Education issued Department Order No. 13, S. 2023 on 03 July 2023, adopting the National Learning Recovery Program (NLRP) anchored on the MATATAG Agenda, to be implemented in all DepEd units, schools, and community learning centers.

WHEREAS, the NLRP aims to resolve the learning loss and low performance of students in national and International Large-Scale Assessments through five bridging programs, namely the National Learning Camp, National Reading Program, National Mathematics Program, National Science and Technology Program, and other programs to be determined by the Department.

WHEREAS, local government units are essential partners of the Department of Education in localizing national policy directions, achieving learning outcomes, and targeting the differentiated challenges of learners and teachers.

WHEREAS, during the 104th National Executive Board Meeting of the Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines, Ms. Leila Areola, Director IV and Officer in Charge of the Bureau of Curriculum Development of the Department of Education presented the National Learning Recovery Program of the department and possible areas of collaboration with local government units to address the four major issues hampering active student participation in the NLC including, but not limited to: provision of transportation services, snacks, and lunch, and creation of livelihood opportunities for parents whose children are enrolled at the NLC and other NLRP-related events (to combat poor economic status of students and their families); provision of school supplies and learning resources, establishment of functional barangay libraries and reading centers, and sponsorship of learner interest activities (to address lack of interest from learners); implementation of community/home tutorial interventions, development of community-hased literacy and after-school education programs, and delivery of assistance to schools in setting up Learner Support Centers, which includes provision of incentives for volunteers (to address the issue of high percentage of learners not meeting expectations); and the creation of parental support education programs, launching of advocacy campaigns to encourage parents to send their children to NLC and other NLRP-related activities, and establishment off rewards and

recognition mechanisms for parents and guardians (to address the issue of lack of parental support.

WHEREAS, the Department of Education, through Director Areola, requested the support of the Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines to strengthen the local government units' commitment to the NLRP as anchored on the MATATAG Agenda.

WHEREAS, during said National Executive Board Meeting of the Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines, the members of the National Executive Board expressed their full support to the Department, the NLRP, and the Matatag Agenda with recommendations to (1) ensure the continuous availability and accessibility of disaggregated data regarding the NAT, NLC post-test, and diagnostic tests for literacy and numeracy to enable LCEs to target areas with the poorest assessment scores, (2) increase or extend scholarship grants of college students who adopt a learner for tutoring, (3) establish a mechanism for LGUs with Government Immersion Programs to partner with the Department of Labor and Employment, and (4) study and assess how tutorial services by teachers could be incentivized via existing credit or point systems for teachers.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, THAT THE UNION OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES OF THE PHILIPPINES FULLY SUPPORTS THE ADOPTION OF THE MATATAG AGENDA AND THE NATIONAL LEARNING RECOVERY PROGRAM OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines enjoins all local government units to actively participate in the implementation of the NLRP and realization of the MATATAG Agenda by enacting complementary local programs designed to support learners, teachers, and guardians through initiatives endorsed by the Department of Education.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Union of Local Authorities of the Philippines commits to working closely with the Department of Education to ensure the effective realization of the MATATAG Agenda and the implementation of the NLRP, and any other policies aimed at promoting the development of Filipino learners.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a copy of this resolution shall be transmitted to the Office of the Vice President, the Department of Interior and Local Government, the Department of Education, and all member leagues for their transmission to their respective local government units for their information and guidance.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED by the ULAP National Executive Board during its 104th National Executive Board Meeting on the 5th day of April 2024 in Metro Manila.

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