

[EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 41, September 15, 2017]

RECONSTITUTING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE LOCAL WATER UTILITIES ADMINISTRATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

WHEREAS, Presidential Decree (PD) No. 198, or the Provincial Water Utilities Act of 1973 as amended, created the Local Water Utilities Administration (LWUA) , a specialized lending institution for the promotion, development and financing of local water supply systems in provincial cities and municipalities outside Metropolitan Manila;

WHEREAS, PD No. 198, as amended, provides for the necessary skills and qualifications of the five (5) members of the Board of Trustees of the LWUA, and requires that at least three (3) members must be employees of the National Government;

WHEREAS, PD No. 198, as amended, provides that the general manager of the LWUA shall not come from the appointed trustees of the Board;

WHEREAS, Section 3 of Executive Order No. 62 (s. 2011) restructured the LWUA Board of Trustees by designating the Secretaries of Finance, Public Works and Highways, and Health, or their alternates, as *ex officio* members thereof who shall thereby represent the three (3) members coming from the National Government;

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) No. 10149, or the GOCC Governance Act of 2011, provides that the highest-ranking officer provided in the charter of a government-owned or -controlled corporation (GOCC) shall be elected annually by the members of the Board from among its ranks;

WHEREAS, the other public responsibilities and equally important concerns being attended to by the current *ex officio* members of the LWUA Board may hamper the timely and efficient performance of its functions;

WHEREAS, repealing the *ex officio* designation of the Secretaries of Finance, Public Works and Highways, and Health, or their alternates, and reverting to the general qualifications of the members of the LWUA Board under PD No. 198, as amended, will ensure greater efficiency and strengthen the composition of the LWUA Board;

WHEREAS, the President, under Article VII, Section 17 of the Constitution, shall have control over executive departments, bureaus and offices;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RODRIGO ROA DUTERTE , President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and existing laws, do hereby order:

SECTION 1 . Composition of the LWUA Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees of LWUA shall be composed of a Chairman and four other Members, all of