

**[ MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. 29, September 25, 2018 ]**

**DIRECTING THE ABOLITION OF THE PARTIDO DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

**WHEREAS**, the Partido Development Administration (PDA) was established in 1994 pursuant to Republic Act (RA) No. 7820 or the "Partido Development Administration Act of 1994," as amended by RA No. 8989, to accelerate the development of the following municipalities comprising the 4<sup>th</sup> District of the Province of Camarines Sur: (a) Sagnay; (b) Tigaon; (c) Goa; (d) San Jose; (e) Lagonoy; (f) Tinambac; (g) Siruma; (h) Presentacion; (i) Garchitorena; and (j) Caramoan;

**WHEREAS**, despite the operation of the PDA for almost twenty (20) years, the 4<sup>th</sup> District of the Province of Camarines Sur has the highest poverty incidence level compared to other districts of the Province, and has a higher poverty incidence compared to the average for the entire Bicol Region;

**WHEREAS**, the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Camarines Sur, through its Resolution No. 474 (s. 2017), urged the President and the Governance Commission for Government-Owned or -Controlled Corporations (GCG) to cause the immediate abolition of the PDA in view of its failure to serve the lawful purpose for which it was created;

**WHEREAS**, the PDA and its various operating units have been consistently operating at a loss for several years, which necessitates continuous subsidy from the National Government;

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Section 5,(a) of RA No. 10149 or the "GOCC Governance Act of 2011," the GCG recommended the abolition of the PDA for the following reasons: (a) the PDA performs functions or purposes that duplicate or unnecessarily overlap with functions, programs, activities or projects already provided by a government agency; and (b) the PDA is not producing the desired outcomes, or no longer achieving the objectives and purposes for which it was originally designed and implemented, and/or not cost efficient and does not generate the level of social, physical and economic returns *vis-a-vis* the resource inputs;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the following are hereby ordered:

**SECTION 1. Abolition of the PDA.** The PDA is hereby abolished.

**SECTION 2. Disposition of Assets, Settlement of Liabilities, and Relinquishment of Functions.** The Privatization Management Office (PMO) shall dispose of the assets of the PDA to settle its outstanding liabilities in accordance with applicable laws, rules and regulation.

The planning and developmental functions of the PDA shall be relinquished to the appropriate local government units, while the administration and operations of the