

[DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 2018-009, April 06, 2018]

AUTHORIZING THE LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD TO CONDUCT THE DISPOSAL OF IMPOUNDED AND ABANDONED VEHICLES

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WHEREAS, the Department of Transportation (DOTr) is the primary policy planning, programming, coordinating, implementing, and administrative entity of the executive branch of the government on the promotion, development, and regulation of a dependable and coordinated network of transportation systems, as well as in the fast, safe, efficient and reliable transportation services;

WHEREAS, the DOTr is empowered to call upon any agency, corporation or organization, whether public or private, whose development programs include transportation as integral parts thereof, to participate and assist in the preparation and implementation of a comprehensive and integrated programs for transportation;

WHEREAS, the Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board (LTFRB), an agency under the administrative supervision and control of DOTr, is tasked with the promulgation, administration and enforcement of, and monitoring compliance with policies, laws and regulations of public land transportation services;

WHEREAS, pursuant to its mandate and under Joint Administrative Order No. 2014-01(Re: Revised Schedule of Fines and Penalties for Violations of Laws, Rules and Regulations Governing Land Transportation) and as part of the Inter- Agency Council for Traffic (i-ACT), the LTFRB, together with the other-attached agencies of the DOTr and the Philippine National Police - Highway Patrol Group conducted intensified anti-colorum operations which resulted in hundreds of apprehended colorum vehicles;

WHEREAS, due to the limited area that the LTFRB is currently maintaining for impounding purposes vis-à-vis the volume of impounded vehicles apprehended by the LTFRB and i-ACT as a result of their daily anti-colorum operations, the LTFRB Central Office has been constrained to store its impounded vehicles within the premises of its office or along East Avenue, Quezon City.

WHEREAS, the continued custody and maintenance of unredeemed and abandoned impounded vehicles have been causing problems to the LTFRB in terms of unnecessary expenses and deficiency in storage space;

WHEREAS, the Department recognizes the imperative need to immediately and properly dispose the impounded and abandoned vehicles in order for the LTFRB to