[PRC PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY BOARD OF DENTISTRY RESOLUTION NO. 11, S. 2011, March 23, 2011]

AMENDMENT OF RESOLUTION NO. 08, SERIES OF 2006, BY EXCLUDING RADIOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION FROM THE DENTAL PERFORMANCE PHASE OF THE BOARD LICENSURE EXAMINATION FOR DENTISTS (BLED)

WHEREAS. Section 13, Article III of R.A. No. 9484, known as "The Philippine Dental Act of 2007." And Section 13, Rule III of Res. No. 12, Series of 2007, referred to as "Rules and Regulations of R.A. No. 9484," require applicant for registration for the practice of dentistry to undergo a Board Licensure Examination for Dentists (BLED);

WHEREAS, BLED shall consist of both written and practical tests (Sec. 16, Art. III and Sec. 16, Rule III, *supra*);

WHEREAS, Sec. 15(a), Art. III and Sec. 15(a) Rule III *supra* provide the subjects in the said BLED;

WHEREAS, the foregoing provisions do not classify the subjects in the dental theoretical phase and in the dental performance phase;

WHEREAS, prior to the enactment of R.A. No. 9484 in 2007, included in the scope of the performance phase was the RADIOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION (Board Res. No. 08, Series of 2006);

WHEREAS, the aforesaid subject has been still included in the performance phase since the effectivity of the "Philippine Dental Act of 2007";

WHEREAS, the Professional Regulatory Board of Dentistry, the Board, has decided to exclude the same subject in the BLED upon appeal of the Philippine Association of Dental Colleges, Inc. (PADC);

WHEREAS, the PADC contends that this "area of dental practice is sufficiently gauge[d] in the theoretical phase" and incorporated into the Roentgenology "of the dental board examination and if ever there is a perceived deficiency on the aforementioned area it may be addressed in the undergraduate training program"; and

WHEREAS, "The Board may recluster, rearrange, modify, add or *exclude* and prescribe subjects as the need arises." (Sec. 15, Art. III and Sec. 15, Rule III supra);

NOW, THEREFORE, the Board RESOLVES, as it is hereby RESOLVED, to amend Res. No. 08, Series of 2006 by excluding RADIOGRAPHIC INTERPRETATION from the