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STANDARDIZED GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION FOR ALL PROFESSIONS

WHEREAS, Section 14, Article XII of the Philippine Constitution partly provides that " [T]he sustained development of a reservoir of national talents $x \times x$ professionals $x \times x$ shall be promoted by the State;"

WHEREAS, the Professional Regulation Commission (PRC), under Section 7(a), (n), and (y) of Republic Act (RA) No. 8981 otherwise known as the "PRC Modernization Act of 2000," has these specific powers:

- "(a) To administer, implement and enforce the regulatory policies of the national government with respect to the regulation and licensing of the various professions and occupations under its jurisdiction including the enhancement and maintenance of professional and occupational standards and ethics and the enforcement of the rules and regulations relative thereto;"
- "(n) To adopt and promulgate such rules and regulations as may be necessary to effectively implement policies with respect to the regulation and practice of the profession;"
- "(y) To perform such other functions and duties as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act, the various professional regulatory laws, decrees, executive orders WHEREAS, Section 9 (b) of R.A. 8981 provides that one of the Powers, Functions and Responsibilities of the Various Professional Regulatory Boards (PRBs) is "[T]o monitor the conditions affecting the practice of the profession or occupation under their respective jurisdictions and whenever necessary, adopt such measures as may be deemed proper for the enhancement of the profession or occupation and/or the maintenance of high professional, ethical and technical standards, $x \times x$;"

WHEREAS, the formulation of the policy on CPE is in consonance with the objective to enhance and maintain high professional and occupational ethical and technical standards in the practice of the professions;

WHEREAS, the President of the Republic of the Philippines issued on June 23, 2003, Executive Order (E.O.) No. 220, "[D]irecting the Adoption of the Code of Good Governance for the Professions in the Philippines";