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IMPLEMENTING THE COLLECTION OF LEGAL RESEARCH FUND FEE FROM FEES FOR REGISTRATION AND AMENDMENT, PETITIONS, COMPLAINTS IMPOSED BY THE COOPERATIVE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

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WHEREAS, the collection of the LRF Fee was imposed by Republic Act No. 3870, which was created the U.P. Law Center, to provide financial support for the latter. Section 4 of R.A. No. 3870 mandates the imposition of the LRF Fee, as follows:

"Section 4. In order to provide for the support of the UP Law Center and the University of the Philippines Law Complex, the additional amount of one percent (1%) of the filing fee imposed, xxx but in no case lower than ten (10) pesos in the case of all xxx agencies or tribunals exercising quasi-judicial functions and those enumerated in Letter Instruction No. 1182 xxx shall be collected by their respective clerks or equivalent functionary, for each action or special proceeding filed therewith and for which fees prescribed in xxx any statute or regulation are due and payable. For this purpose, "special proceeding" shall include any petition or application, paper or document seeking official action to establish a status, right, privilege or particular fact or command the performance of a duty. Such additional amounts shall be receipted for as part of a special fund known as the "Legal Research Fund", and shall upon collection, be immediately remitted to the University of the Philippines and deposited in a separate account in any authorized government depository bank in the name of the National Treasurer as Ex-Officio Treasurer of the UP xxx."

WHEREAS, as early as 13 November 2013, the Board of Administrators issued Resolution No. 240, s-2013 approving the collection of the Legal Research Fund (LRF) Fee for all applications for registration and amendment, petitions, complaints filed with the Authority.

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to Section 4 of R.A. No. 3870 in relation to the relevant powers and functions of the Cooperative Development Authority, it is hereby directed:

1) An LRF fee in an amount equivalent to one percent (1%) of the fee imposed but in no case lower than ten (10) pesos shall be collected on every fee for all applications for registration and amendment, petitions and complaints imposed by the Authority in the exercise and discharge of its regulatory functions.