[PRC BOARD FOR FORESTERS RESOLUTION NO. 09-94, April 13, 1994]

FULL COMPUTERIZATION OF THE FORESTER LICENSURE EXAMINATION

WHEREAS, to cope up with the trend of technological modernization and globalization, the Board has to be an innovator by introducing change in the form of new method or process and new services in administering the Foresters Examinations through its full computerization;

WHEREAS, the adoption of such novel system will bring forth these beneficial effects to the profession;

- 1. credible, qualitative and efficacious licensure examinations that gain the public trust and faith therein;
- 2. expeditious release of examination results; and
- 3. ample time for the Board to exercise its regulatory powers and functions;

WHEREAS under Res. No. 265, Series of 1993, the Commission directed that the examinations of all the professions under the jurisdiction and supervision thereof "shall be fully computerized in 1993 except those professions with examinees below 1,000 which shall be programmed in 1994;

WHEREAS, the full computerization of the licensure examination does not only involve the correction and rating of test papers, but it does also utilize data bank from which questions are randomly extracted and randomly arranged by and through the computer; and

WHEREAS, the Board for Foresters is empowered by Sec. 5 of R.A. No. 6239, as amended and Sec. 6 (a) of P.D. No. 223, as amended, to adopt measures or policies that will preserve and improve the technical, ethical and moral standards of the forestry profession,

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the Board's powers under R.A. No. 6239, the Board hereby RESOLVED, as it so RESOLVES, to fully computerize the Forester Licensure Examination starting in the June, 1994 schedule under following guidelines, *viz*.:

1. The Board Member with the respective Area Specialists shall frame or formulate their own questions or adopt those supplied by the academe after they have modified or reformed them. Every question shall be appraised by the Board member assigned to supervise the concerned Area Specialist as to its objectivity, validity, reliability and efficaciousness and shall be unambiguous and definite, calling only for one definite correct answer — and to its degree of difficulty, i.e., easy average and