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SPECIAL ORDER

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SUBJECT:

AUTHORITY TO PARTICIPATE AND ATTEND IN THE

NATIONAL CACAO CONGRESS 2024 (NCC24)

In the interest of the service, the Department of Agriculture (DA) through Agribusiness and Marketing Assistance Service (AMAS), is hereby authorized to participate in the National Cacao Congress 2024 and exhibition on July 30-31, 2024 at the Waterfront Hotel, Lahug, Cebu City.

The last NCC22 and NCC23 congresses focused on cacao production and post-harvest programs and technologies. This year, NCC shall feature the "Marketing Philippine Cacao and Chocolates" with the growing local and Global Value Chains (GVC) markets are fast changing.

The participation fee in the amount of **Five Hundred Thousand Pesos (PhP 500,000)** for the DA-AMAS Pavilion (booth space, booth system, panels, and curation; complimentary registration for invited exhibitors and registration for DA-AMAS, including lunch and snack during congress). The DA – AMAS and RFO AMADs are all hereby authorized to attend the event and reimburse the traveling expenses and per diem chargeable against their respective office funds, subject to the availability of funds and the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall be considered revoked upon completion of the event.

All orders, memoranda, and issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this the day of Just 2024.

FRANCISCO P. TIU LAUREL JR.

Secretary

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