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MEMORANDUM

FOR : All DENR Regional Executive Directors

FROM : The OIC Director

SUBJECT : INVITATION TO THE 30th ANNUAL PHILIPPINE BIODIVERSITY SYMPOSIUM, 6-9 DECEMBER 2022, FATHER SATURNINO URIOS UNIVERSITY, BUTUAN CITY

This is to extend the invitation of the Biodiversity Conservation Society of the Philippines (BCSP) and Father Saturnino Urios University to the 30th Annual Philippine Biodiversity Symposium to be held on 6-9 December 2022 at Father Saturnino Urios University in Butuan City, Agusan del Norte.

With the theme "The Future of Philippine Biodiversity," the Symposium aims to provide a venue for exchange of insights on biodiversity conservation and management. It will feature various topics on taxonomy and systematics, biogeography, wildlife biology and ecology, and biodiversity conservation, which will be presented through oral and poster presentations. The Symposium will be an opportunity for DENR regional and field personnel to gain knowledge on the various aspects of biodiversity which can serve as inputs to the current conservation initiatives of the Department.

In view of the foregoing, attached is the Symposium invitation for your perusal. Information on the registration requirements and procedures can be accessed through the Symposium website: <u>https://sites.google.com/biodiversity.ph/30pbs/home</u>.

For information and consideration.

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30th Annual Philippine Biodiversity Symposium Father Saturnino Urios University, Butuan City & Zoom Events 6-9 December 2022

Ms. Natividad Y. Bernardino OIC Director Biodiversity Management Bureau Ninoy Aquino Parks and Wildlife Center North Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City

Dear Director Bernardino,

The Biodiversity Conservation Society of the Philippines, Inc. (BCSP) is a membership organization of wildlife researchers, managers, scientists, and conservationists formed to advance wildlife research and conservation in the Philippines. Since 1992, BCSP has been organizing the annual Philippine Biodiversity Symposium, a scientific meeting open to all biodiversity scientists, conservation managers, and advocates. This year, we shall be commemorating the 30th year since the 1st historic meeting of wildlife biologists in the Philippines, which has since drawn more than 250 local and international participants representing different sectors and institutions working on Philippine biodiversity.

We would like to have the honor of inviting you and our colleagues from the Biodiversity Management Bureau and DENR's regional and local offices to participate in this year's Philippine Biodiversity Symposium. We would also like to invite you to deliver a message for the opening program of the symposium, as one of BCSP's partners in conservation, to mark this momentous event for BCSP and for Philippine biodiversity.

Further, BCSP strives to make the Annual Philippine Biodiversity Symposium accessible to Filipinos, particularly students and early career conservationists. Through BMB's support of our previous symposia, we have subsidized and reduced the cost of organizing the symposium. Our partnership with BMB has, in turn, produced significant policy and planning developments for Philippine Biodiversity, such as the updated Philippine Red List of Threatened Terrestrial Fauna and the Technical Bulletin on Bird Watching and Bird Photography. Your usual support of the symposium will help us provide a wide-reaching platform for Philippine biodiversity researchers and conservationists. We would appreciate your in-kind support of the symposium in the form of meals, symposium kits, collaterals for 250 participants, and tokens for plenary speakers and presenters.

Details about the 30th Philippine Biodiversity Symposium are posted on our website <u>www.biodiversity.ph</u>, social media accounts, and BCSP newsletter. For inquiries, you may get in touch with the Symposium Organizing Committee through the email address <u>symposium@biodiversity.ph</u> or through my email at <u>cynthia.layusa@gmail.com</u>.

Thank you and hope to see you in Butuan City or via Zoom Events for the 30th Philippine Biodiversity Symposium.

Sincerely,

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