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(EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE SECOND QUARTER RDC MIMAROPA
FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 02 JUNE 2023 IN PASAY CITY)

RDC Resolution No. 2023-082-1177

**ENJOINING THE ATTENDANCE OF REGIONAL DIRECTORS AND HEADS
OF OFFICES TO THE MEETINGS OF THE RDC FULL COUNCIL AND ITS
SECTORAL COMMITTEES**

WHEREAS, the Regional Development Council (RDCs) were organized through Letter of Implementation No. 22 issued on 31 December 1972 pursuant to the implementation of the Integrated Reorganization Plan of 1972;

WHEREAS, Article X, Section 14 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that the president shall create RDCs and other similar bodies composed of local government officials, regional heads of departments and other government offices and representatives from non-governmental organizations within the regions for purposes of administrative decentralization to strengthen the autonomy of the units therein and to accelerate the economic and social development of the units in the region;

WHEREAS, Section 1 of Executive Order No. 325, s.1996 provides that the following shall be the regular RDC members:

- a. All provincial governors;
- b. All city mayors;
- c. Mayors of municipalities designated as provincial capitals;
- d. All presidents of the provincial league of mayors;
- e. The mayors of the municipality designated as the regional center;
- f. The regional directors of agencies represented in the National Economic and Development Authority Board (NEDA, DAR, DA, DBM, DENR, DOF, DFA, DOH, DILG, DOLE, DPWH, DOST, DTI, DOTC, BSP) and the regional directors of DECS, DSWD, and DOT; provided that each agency shall be represented by only one regional director; and,
- g. Private sector representatives (PSRs) who shall comprise one-fourth of the members of the fully-constituted council;

WHEREAS, RDC MIMAROPA is currently composed of 53 regular members (14 local chief executives, regional directors (RDs) and heads of 25 agencies/offices, and 14 PSRs), and 22 special non-voting members (SVNM);

WHEREAS, records of attendance show that some RDs/ARDs and heads of offices were not able to consistently attend the RDC meetings and were only sending representatives on their behalf;

WHEREAS, the low attendance rates of directors and heads of offices in RDC and sectoral committee meetings may impact on the policy and decision-making functions of the RDC;

WHEREAS, to address the concern, the Development Administration Committee, during its second quarter meeting held on 04 May 2023, recommended the following:

- a) Pass a resolution reiterating the presence of RDs or ARDs and heads of offices during meetings of RDC Full Council and its sectoral committees; and
- b) Conduct of hybrid/blended meetings to allow members attend virtually if joining physically is not possible;

NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, That the Council enjoins the attendance of regional directors and heads of offices to the meetings of the RDC Full Council and its sectoral committees;

RESOLVED FURTHER, That copies of this resolution be furnished to all concerned;

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 2nd day of June in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:


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Attested:


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