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Dr. Edgardo E. TulinDirector, Philippine Root Crop Research and Training Center VSU, Visca, Baybay City, Leyte

Dear Dr. Tulin:

Greetings!

I am writing this letter to your good office to express my sincere desire to apply for the position of Instructor I in Philippine Root Crop Research and Training Center (PhilRootcrops). I am a graduate from Cebu Technological University- Barili Campus last April 2018 with a bachelor's degree in Agriculture major in Horticulture. Recently, I've obtained my master's degree in Horticulture in this school Visayas State University last June 2020 wherein I was able to hone my skills and abilities more involving vegetable production, postharvest and plant protection with the advance courses I took and of the hands-on activities. Moreover, I was also trained in microbial analysis as part of my thesis. Currently, I am now working as a Science Research Assistant of the ACIAR-GAP Project entitled: Developing value chain to meet evolving market expectations under the Food Safety Component wherein my work deals with tracing where contamination starts and to what extent the contamination is in the vegetable value chain - that is from farm to fork, which later on would develop interventions to address such findings.

I am confident that I could contribute more to the status and well-being of the center as a research facility. With the knowledge and experience I had, I can say that I can work from production up to posthavest, food safety, pest management and pest detection/diagnosis in the molecular level as well as the know-how on using different tools and equipment. With respect to the position I am applying, I am positive with my capabilities in postharvest as I have took advance courses taught by Dr. Marcelo A. Quevedo which are Advance Postharvest Physiology of Perishable Crops and Postharvest Biochemistry of Horticultural Crops. I am looking forward to be able to work in the center that will allow my passion and education to thrive. If given the chance, you can count on my dedication and commitment that would be of great help for the center. I can work under pressure and with less supervision, a good team player and willing to work overtime when the need arises. With these and more, I feel that my academic background and experience can make a valuable contribution to the achievement of the center's long term goals.

Thank you for your time and consideration. Attached herewith is my curriculum vitae for further reference. I look forward to speaking with you sometime soon. I can easily be reached anytime by phone (09631930809) or email (blanchefranchette@gmail.com).

Sincerely yours,

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