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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 72

Series of 2020

T O: All VSU Students, Faculty, Staff and Partner Organizations and Communities

R E: "StaySafe.ph" as a COVID-19 Monitoring and Policy Making Tool to the LGUs for Adoption and the "Be a Volunteer Program" of Philippine National Volunteers Coordinating Agency (PNVSCA)

You are hereby enjoined to support and participate in the abovementioned web-based programs and join the government in stopping the spread of COVID-19. Please see attached endorsements from RDC VIII Executive Committee, for more details:

Resolution No. 4, series of 2020: Endorsing the "StaySafe.ph" as a COVID-19 Monitoring and Policy-Making Tool to the Local Government Units (LGUs) for Adoption

Resolution No. 5 series 2020: Endorsing the "Be a Volunteer Program" of PNVSCA To Public and Private Stakeholders for Support

This office will also appreciate for your support on its wide dissemination.


EDGARDO E. TULIN

President



RDC VIII-Executive Committee (ExCom) Resolution No. 4, Series of 2020

**ENDORISING THE “STAYSAFE.PH” AS A
COVID-19 MONITORING AND POLICY-MAKING TOOL
TO THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUs) FOR ADOPTION**

WHEREAS, StaySafe.ph is a web and mobile-based community-driven tool, which was developed by a software company, Multisys Technologies Corporation, to mitigate the COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, this tool empowers the public in the fight against COVID-19 by enabling people to report their health condition and help the government in contact tracing, identifying whom to test, and in immediately responding to people's needs;

WHEREAS, it aims to assist the government mitigate risks, especially in vulnerable areas, as it provides authorities real time alerts and easier monitoring of critical situations in their respective communities, and enables them to make informed and timely decisions to prevent the spread of the disease and manage the surge of cases;

WHEREAS, on 08 May 2020, recognizing that the COVID-19 pandemic requires the mobilization of a whole-of-government response, Pres. Rodrigo Roa Duterte declared a State of Public Health Emergency in the entire Philippines through Proclamation No. 922;

WHEREAS, to assist in the government's response to COVID-19, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) passed Resolution No. 27, Series of 2020, on 22 April 2020, which included the adoption of StaySafe.ph as the official social distancing, health-condition reporting, and contact tracing system, among other measures;

WHEREAS, consistent with the above declarations and other issuances of the government relative to COVID-19, the Department of the Interior and Local Government issued Memorandum Circular No. 2020-081: *Enjoining the Use of StaySafe Application System for the Management of Corona Virus Situation*, addressed to the local chief executives and Sanggunian members of the provinces, cities and municipalities;

WHEREAS, citizens may register with the StaySafe.ph by accessing <https://www.staysafe.ph> or by downloading the StaySafe.ph application in their mobile devices;

WHEREAS, foregoing considered, this Council's ExCom finds merit in endorsing this tool to all LGUs in the region for adoption and dissemination in their areas of jurisdiction.

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NOW, THEREFORE, upon the motion of RDC VIII-Development Administration Committee Co-Chairperson and RDC VIII Private Sector Representative for Finance, Mr. Francisco P. Barredo, unanimously seconded, **BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, to endorse the "StaySafe.ph" as a COVID-19 monitoring and policy-making tool to the LGUs for adoption.

UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED, this 22nd day of May, Two Thousand and Twenty, in a Virtual Meeting.

Certified true and correct:


OIC-ARD JAM M. COLAS
Acting Secretary

Attested:


OIC-RD MEYLENE C. ROSALES
Acting Vice-Chairperson

Approved:


GOVERNOR LEOPOLDO DOMINICO L. PETILLA
Chairperson and Presiding Officer



RDC VIII-Executive Committee (ExCom) Resolution No. 5, Series of 2020

**ENDORISING THE "BE A VOLUNTEER" PROGRAM OF THE
PHILIPPINE NATIONAL VOLUNTEER SERVICE COORDINATING AGENCY (PNVSCA)
TO PUBLIC AND PRIVATE STAKEHOLDERS FOR SUPPORT**

WHEREAS, the world is experiencing a period of uncertainty and unrest due to the current COVID-19 pandemic;

WHEREAS, in the Philippines, the magnitude of the COVID-19 outbreak is costing the government billions of pesos and threatening its capacity to provide adequate social protection measures to the affected population;

WHEREAS, in the midst of the pandemic, the support of the private sector, including the non-government organizations, in the form of volunteerism will aid the government in its COVID-19 response efforts;

WHEREAS, the PNVSCA, which is the government agency mandated to coordinate the volunteer service programs of the government for national development, is one with the nation in its fight against COVID-19 and calls for individuals' and organizations' help to address the needs of the affected population through volunteerism even in simple ways;

WHEREAS, volunteerism, known in our language as "*bayanihan*", is an inherent trait among Filipinos that translates into "getting into the act of helping";

WHEREAS, the "Be a Volunteer" program of the PNVSCA aims to bridge organizations and individuals who wish to volunteer/donate and/or request for volunteer assistance in the fight against COVID-19;

WHEREAS, the program aims to rekindle the "*bayanihan*" spirit among Filipinos towards ending the COVID-19 pandemic and achieving socioeconomic development;

WHEREAS, individuals or organizations who wish to volunteer or donate and/or request for volunteer assistance may register by accessing this link, http://www.pnvzca.gov.ph/be_a_volunteer/, and filling-out the required forms;

WHEREAS, foregoing considered, this Council's ExCom acknowledges the importance of getting the support of both the public and private sector in this fight against COVID-19.

NOW, THEREFORE, upon the motion of RDC VIII Acting Vice-Chairperson and NEDA VIII OIC-Regional Director Meylene C. Rosales, unanimously seconded, **BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, to endorse the "Be a Volunteer" Program of the PNVSCA to public and private stakeholders for support.

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