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**T O: Dr. Ma. Theresa P. Loreto** *gm 3/1*  
**R E: Designation as Director, Advance Research and Innovation Center**

By virtue of the authority vested in me by the VSU Board of Regents, you are hereby designated as Director, Advance Research and Innovation Center effective March 1, 2021 until December 31, 2021 or unless sooner revoked or terminated by higher authorities.

As Director, you are directed to:

1. Develop and implement research proposals on material science, nanotechnology, biotechnology and spatial science, artificial intelligence, robotics and big data science;
2. Serve as hub for market-driven research collaboration with industry and community partners;
3. Spearhead in the sourcing of funds for competitive innovations that address the needs of the region and the country and will produce technology of global application and importance;
4. Support the academic programs of conduct of research on BS Chemistry, Biotechnology, Agriculture or Food Science and Technology students;
5. Establish sustainable linkages with industries, private companies, foundations and academic institutions;
6. Provide meeting and assembly space that supports the research enterprise, incubator/accelerator activities and the university's research, learning and community outreach mandates;
7. Provide laboratory and research space for visiting scientists/researchers.

Moreover, you are entitled to the privileges granted and the responsibilities attached to the position subject to pertinent policies.

Please be guided accordingly.

**EDGARDO E. TULIN**  
President

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