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T O: All Occupants of Dormitory Units

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R E: Strict and Immediate Compliance to Republic Act 9514 (Fire Code of the Philippines) and its Implementing Rules and Regulations in VSU Dormitories Units

The Office of the City Marshall of the Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP), Baybay City had recently conducted fire safety inspection in all dormitory units. BFP findings indicated major violations of the dormitories with the Republic Act 9514 or the Fire Code of the Philippines (An Act Establishing a Comprehensive Fire Code of the Philippines, Repealing Presidential Decree No. 1185 and for Other Purposes) and its Implementing Rules and Regulations that need urgent and strict compliance, to wit:

Fire-hazard Rooms

• Existing kitchen inside the rooms of Sampaguita Dorm pose serious hazard

Fire Exits

- Obstructed exits
- No BFP- standard ladder

Octopus Connections

· Using a lot of extension wires on the main outlet

Below are the actions to be strictly implemented:

Fire-hazard Rooms

 Cooking inside the room of Sampaguita Dormitory shall be stopped effective immediately. All stove and gas shall be removed and place them in the stock room/area to be identified by USSO. Do not place them in the lobby.



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A temporary kitchen facility shall be constructed outside the Sampaguita Dormitory. A new kitchen facility will be constructed next year, subject to funds availability.

Fire Exits

- Remove obstructions
- · Installation of BFP-standard fire ladders

Octopus Connections

- Octopus connections are strictly prohibited; extension wires will be confiscated.
- Charging stations should be in place in every dormitory.

Likewise, all Dorm Advisers are directed to see to it that:

- Resident halls have first aid firefighting appliance in your respective dormitories.
- · Resident halls have emergency lighting.
- Fire exits signs and directional signs are illuminated.
- Plan for a secondary exit be in place.

Everyone concerned is urged to act immediately since non-compliance of the BFP recommendation will lead to the closure of the dormitory facility. The safety of the occupants in dormitories is VSU's paramount concern.

For your guidance and strict compliance.

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