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TO: **Dr. Rotacio S. Gravoso, VPAA**
Dr. Jannet C. Bencure, CET Dean

RE: **BOR Referendum No. 07 Confirmation of BS Mechanical Engineering
Program Offered Since AY 2011-2012**

FROM: *[Signature]*
DR. PROSE IVY G. YEPES
University President

DATE: **September 12, 2024**

The undersigned is respectfully forwarding to you **BOR Referendum No. 07** confirming that the VSU Main Campus has been offering the Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering Program Since AY 2011-2012 until the present.

This is provided for your information, dissemination, and appropriate action in accordance with university policies. Your usual support in this matter is greatly appreciated.

cc: University/Board Secretary

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VSU BOARD OF REGENTS

REFERENDUM NO. 07
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CONFIRMING THAT THE VSU MAIN CAMPUS HAS BEEN OFFERING THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING PROGRAM SINCE AY 2011-2012 UNTIL THE PRESENT

WHEREAS, by virtue of R.A. 9437 the Visayas State University (VSU) is mandated by law to offer undergraduate, graduate and non-degree courses within its areas of specialization to meet the demands of the province and the region;

WHEREAS, Section 13 of RA 7722 "*the higher education institution shall exercise academic freedom in its curricular offerings but must comply with the minimum requirements for specific academic programs, the general education distribution requirements and the specific professional courses*";

WHEREAS, through the strength of BOR Resolution No. 45, s. 2010 approving the Policy Guidelines on the Adoption of existing Academic Degree Programs within the VSU System, the Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering Program was first offered in the VSU Main Campus in AY 2011-2012, adopting the BSME curriculum from VSU Isabel;

WHEREAS, stipulated in the approved policy that in the adoption of a particular curriculum within the VSU system, provided that no changes are made, BOR approval is not required;

WHEREAS, underscored in the summary of findings/deficiencies during the COPC evaluation in August 2024 is the lack of BOR approval to adopt the BSME Program in Isabel Campus and offer the same program in the Main Campus;

WHEREAS, to comply with the deficiency, the College of Engineering and Technology requested for BOR confirmation and/or acknowledgement of the BSME program offered in the Main Campus;

WHEREAS, Section 4 (i) of R.A. 8292 specifically empowers the Board of Regents of the University to "approve the curricula, institutional programs and rules of discipline drawn by the administrative and academic councils";

WHEREAS, the University Academic Council favorably endorsed the proposal to the Governing Board via referendum.

Now, therefore, on motion, duly seconded, and unanimously approved, be it;

Resolved, as it is hereby resolved, that the Board of Regents of Visayas State University confirmed that the VSU Main Campus has been offering the Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering program since AY 2011-2012 until the present.

APPROVED via referendum. 5th day of September 2024.

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August 27, 2024

DR. ETHEL AGNES PASCUA-VALENZUELA

Chairperson, VSU Board of Regents
Commission on Higher Education
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Dear Madame Chair:

Greetings!

The Visayas State University (VSU) respectfully requests your kind approval to seek Board action via referendum on the following urgent concern of the University, to wit:

- 1) Request of the College of Engineering and Technology to seek Board confirmation or acknowledgement of Bachelor of Science in Mechanical Engineering programs offered at VSU Main Campus.

Please find the completed staff work as an attachment to these proposals.

Thanking you in advance for your favorable response.

Very truly yours,

PROSE IVY G. YEPES
University President



Subject Matter ALLOWED for Referendum

Subject Matter NOT ALLOWED for Referendum

DR. ETHEL AGNES PASCUA-VALENZUELA

Chairperson, VSU Board of Regents/ CHED Commissioner

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