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## Republic of the Philippines VISAYAS STATE UNIVERSITY Visca, Baybay, Leyte

## **BOR RESOLUTION NO. 76 SERIES of 2022**

## A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE VISAYAS STATE UNIVERSITY (VSU) FUTURES AND FORESIGHT CAPACITY BUILDING AND FUTURES THINKING RESEARCH PROJECT (PHASE II)

WHEREAS, Republic Act 9158 converted the then Visayas State College of Agriculture (ViSCA) into a state university, the Leyte State University, on 11 August 2001 and was later renamed Visayas State University (VSU) by virtue of R.A. 9437;

WHEREAS, Section 7, Paragraph (b) of R.A. 9158 empowers the Governing Board "to receive and appropriate all sums as may be provided for the support of the University in the manner it may determine, in its discretion, to carry out the purposes and functions of the University";

WHEREAS, VSU is a CHED Center for Excellence (COE) in Agriculture and a National University in Region VIII, it is mandated to provide leadership in developing highly competitive human resource, relevant scientific knowledge, and innovative technologies to support the sustainable development of the Visayas Region in particular and the whole of the Philippines in general;

WHEREAS, VSU was one of the recipients of the futures thinking initiatives of Senator Pia Cayetano in 2021 through a fund support of five million pesos (P5,000,000.00) where the funds were utilized to fund the "VSU Futurists" through capacity build-ups trainings on the different strategies and methodologies of Futures Thinking and the outputs of such trainings were researches focused on Research and Development for rootcrops and jackfruit which were implemented in the last quarter of 2021;

WHEREAS, the four Futures Thinking researchers in 2021 were "Resilient Kamote: Versatile Crop for the Future", "Comprehensive Baseline Documentation and Product Market Profiling of the Jackfruit Industry in the Philippines", "Exploring Nature Based Solutions and Circularities in Household Practices and Consumption to Achieve Net Zero Carbon Emissions in Eastern Visayas (ENHHANCE)", and "Creation of the Futures Thinking Office";

WHEREAS, while the implementation/conduct of the Phase 1 researches are still going on, VSU proposes for a Phase 2 where the research proposals are geared towards benchmarking to come up with appropriate and reliable data or information of rootcrops and jackfruit which could be used for future research endeavors and policy formulation;

WHEREAS, the research proposals for 2022 focused on four major projects such as "Industry Assessment and Promotional Activities for Sweetpotato on Futures Thinking to Support to Future Development interventions" with a proposed budget of P1,000,000.00, "Project Development and Profiling of Major Jackfruit Production Systems in the Philippines" with a proposed budget of P1,200,000.00, "Residue Valorization of Waste Products from Jackfruit and Rootcrops in Eastern Visayas (RIVAL)" with a proposed budget of P1,035,329.00, and "Benchmarking and Capacity Needs

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Assessment Towards Developing VSU into a National Green University" with a proposed budget of P1,617,580.00;

**WHEREAS**, the proposed budget amount of the Research and Development proposals is P3,235,329.00, the proposed budget amount of for benchmarking is P1,671,580.00, while the proposed budget amount for Coordination (Future's Thinking Office) is P93,091.00 that sums up the total amount of the proposed project at P5,000,000.00.

WHEREAS, the proposal was endorsed by the VSU BOR Finance Committee during its meeting via zoom on 28 September 2022.

RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED to approve the Visayas State University Futures and Foresight Capacity Building and Futures Thinking Research Project (Phase II).

**IN WITNESS** of our approval thereof, we hereby affix our signatures this 21<sup>st</sup> day of October 2022.

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