

Republic of the Philippines COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS Manila

MATTER IN THE DEPUTIZING COMMISSION ON HIGHER MACEDA, JR. Ernesto Ferdinand P. EDUCATION FOR THE MAY CELIS, Nelson J. 12. 2025 NATIONAL AND LOCAL ELECTIONS

OF GARCIA, George Erwin M. THE FEROLINO, Aimee P. BULAY, Rey E. TANGARO-CASINGAL, Maria Norina S. Commissioner PIPO, Noli R.

Chairman Commissioner Commissioner Commissioner Commissioner Commissioner

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RESOLUTION No. 11137

WHEREAS, Article IX-C, Section 2(4) of the 1987 Constitution empowers the Commission on Elections (Commission) to deputize, with the of the President, law enforcement agencies instrumentalities of the Government for the exclusive purpose of ensuring free, orderly, honest, peaceful and credible elections;

WHEREAS, on September 13, 2024, the Commission promulgated Resolution No. 11055 entitled, "In the Matter of Deputizing the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG), the National Police Commission (NAPOLCOM) and Other Law Enforcement Agencies, Certain Departments under the Executive Branch, Other Government Agencies, Government-Owned or Controlled Corporations and Financial Institutions, for the Purpose of Ensuring Free, Orderly, Honest, Peaceful, and Credible Conduct of the May 12, 2025 National and Local Elections (NLE) and BARMM Parliamentary Elections (BPE);

WHEREAS, on October 04, 2024, the Commission and the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) entered into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) wherein the latter agreed to provide specialized manpower support from higher education institutions (HEIs) with information technology education (ITE) programs offering, who are knowledgeable and competent in handling modern technologies and processes in connection with the May 12, 2025 National and Local Elections (2025 NLE);

WHEREAS, there is a need to deputize CHED to ensure the availability of sufficient number of IT-capable persons during the conduct of the automated 2025 NLE;

NOW, THEREFORE, the Commission, by virtue of the powers vested in it by the Constitution of the Republic of the Philippines, the Omnibus Election Code and other related election laws, has **RESOLVED**, as it hereby **RESOLVES**, to deputize the CHED in connection with the 2025 NLE:

SECTION 1. *Duties and Functions of CHED as Deputy.* – The CHED is hereby deputized to perform the following duties and functions:

- a. Determine and inform the Commission of the existing HEIs with ITE programs per city/municipality;
- b. Assist the Commission in coordinating with HEIs with qualified and willing manpower support, particularly after a formal agreement is executed between the Commission and an HEI on the following matters:
 - i. matching and selection of the needed manpower technical support personnel and Consolidation and Canvassing System (CCS) technicians;
 - submission of the complete requirements of the identified manpower support;
 - iii. training and development of the select manpower support in order for them to meet the required qualifications and skills; and
 - iv. deployment and supervision of the performance of the manpower support throughout the electoral process to guarantee their adherence to the highest standards of political neutrality.
- c. Establish regular communication channel between and among the Commission and chosen HEIs;
- d. Assist the Commission in handling issues or concerns raised by the HEIs in relation to the implementation of the agreement;
- e. Ensure that the HEIs have the capacity to meet the Commission's requirements;
- f. Submit reports, as may be required by the Commission; and

g. Perform such other functions and duties and render any other assistance to the Commission as it may deem necessary for the conduct of elections.

SECTION 2. *Effectivity.* – This Resolution shall take effect on the seventh (7th) day after its publication in two (2) daily newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.

SECTION 3. *Publication and Dissemination.* – The Education and Information Department shall cause the publication of this Resolution in at least two (2) daily newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines, and shall furnish copies thereof to the Office of the President and CHED.

SO ORDERED.

GEORGE ERWIN M. GARCIA

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CERTIFICATION

APPROVED for publication on, April 30, 2025.

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