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SUBJECT: EXTENSION OF VALIDITY OF COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSEL LICENSE (CFVL), COMMERCIAL FISHING GEAR LICENSE (CFGL), AND FISHERMAN'S LICENSE OF COMMERCIAL FISHING VESSELS EXPIRING DURING THE STATE OF PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY

Whereas, Proclamation No. 922 was issued on March 8, 2020 declaring a State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines due to the outbreak of Corona Virus Disease (Covid-19) in the country which shall remain in force and effect until lifted or withdrawn by the President;

Whereas, Proclamation No. 929, was issued on March 16, 2020 declaring a *State of Calamity* throughout the Philippines due to Covid-19 for a period of six (6) months, unless earlier lifted or extended as circumstances may warrant;

Whereas, Proclamation No. 1021, was issued on September 16, 2020, declaring the extension of *State of Calamity* throughout the Philippines due to Covid-19 for a period of one (1) year, effective 13 September 2020 to 12 September 2021, unless earlier lifted or extended as circumstances may warrant;

Whereas, in order to control the transmission of the Corona Virus Disease quarantine measures are implemented in various parts of the country restricting movement by land, air, and sea hence, posing constraints to license holders and commercial fishing stakeholders;

WHEREFORE, in view of the foregoing, all **Commercial Fishing Vessel License (CFVL), Commercial Fishing Gear License (CFGL), and Fisherman's License** of commercial fishing vessels expiring during the State of Public Health Emergency are hereby **EXTENDED** for a period of one (1) year from the date of expiration, subject to all the procedural as well as documentary requirements provided under the Fisheries Administrative Order No. 198-1, series of 2018.

Issued this 22nd day of December 2020 in Quezon City, Philippines.


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