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**SPECIAL ORDER**

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**SUBJECT: DESIGNATION OF ASSISTANT DIRECTOR GERALD GLENN F. PANGANIBAN AS NATIONAL PROGRAM DIRECTOR OF URBAN AGRICULTURE PROGRAM**

In the exigency of service and in view that Urban Agriculture is elevated as a Banner Program of the Department of Agriculture in view of its contribution in ensuring food security, **ASSISTANT DIRECTOR GERALD GLENN F. PANGANIBAN** of Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI), is hereby designated as **NATIONAL PROGRAM DIRECTOR OF URBAN AGRICULTURE PROGRAM**. The Program shall be under the oversight of the Undersecretary for Operations.

As such, he shall hold office and report to the Office of the Undersecretary for Operations. He shall perform the following functions, duties and responsibilities:


1. Implement the activities of the National Urban Agriculture Program in coordination with other National Banner Programs such as: High Value Crops Program, Fisheries Program, and Livestock Program;
2. Prepare the work plan of the Program and monitor the implementation of the activities of the Program;
3. Collaborate with private sector and LGUs in establishing demonstration of various urban agriculture schemes;
4. Support private sector initiatives in scaling vertical farming for commercial food production;
5. Coordinate the status of the Program with the Regional Field Offices;
6. Prepare and submit physical and narrative report to the concerned DA Offices; and
7. Perform other tasks as assigned by the Undersecretary for Operations and the Secretary.

He shall be entitled to RATA, traveling allowance, per diems, and other incidental expenses that may be incurred in the performance of his functions, duties, and responsibilities in view of the designation, chargeable against OSEC Funds and other available funds, subject to existing government accounting and auditing rules and procedures.

All officials and employees of the Department, including its Bureaus, Attached Agencies and Corporations, and Regional Field Offices are hereby directed to give their full support and cooperation to Program Director Panganiban in the performance of his duties and responsibilities.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain enforced unless revoked in writing. All orders inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 10th day of June 2021.

  
**WILLIAM D. DAR, Ph.D.**  
Secretary

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