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SPECIAL ORDER

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SUBJECT : CREATION OF THE DA NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE 2022 HIGH VALUE CROPS WEEK FROM APRIL 11-13, 2022

To celebrate the 26th anniversary of the implementation of Republic Act No. 7900 otherwise known as the “High Value Crops Development Act of 1995”, and in observance of Proclamation No. 469, Series of 2018, signed by President Rodrigo R. Duterte on April 13, 2018 declaring the month of April of every year as the “Filipino Food Month”, the High Value Crops Week (HVC) 2022 shall be celebrated on **April 11-13, 2022**.

In view of the above, and to ensure the successful implementation of the yearly celebration of the HVC Week, a DA National Steering Committee is hereby created and shall be composed as follows:

DA NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE

- Chairperson : **USEC. EVELYN G. LAVIÑA**
Undersecretary for High Value Crops and Rural Credit
- Vice-Chairperson: **DIR. GERALD GLENN F. PANGANIBAN**
Director, High Value Crops Development Program (HVCDP)
- Members : **DR. RAMON C. YEDRA**
Director, Agribusiness and Marketing Assistance Service
DIR. HONORIO C. FLAMEÑO
Director, Information & Communications Technology Service
DR. ROSANA P. MULA
Director, Agricultural Training Institute
DR. GEORGE Y. CULASTE
Director, Bureau of Plant Industry
DIR. PABLO M. MONTALLA
Director, Bureau of Soils and Water Management
MS. CHERYL C. SUAREZ
Chief, Agriculture and Fisheries Information Division
MS. SUSAN L. DEL ROSARIO
OIC Chief, General Services Division
- Secretariat : HVC Program Management Office

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The DA National Steering Committee shall have the following functions:

- Provide guidance and ensure the successful implementation of activities for the event, including the selection of the theme and identification of activities and corresponding focal agencies, officials, personnel, and timelines;
- Oversee the implementation of the plan and activities for the celebration of the HVC Week;
- Engage/ Work with/ Consult/ Invite, as necessary, resource persons or representatives from other government units and/or private sector to support the celebrations; and
- Perform other relevant tasks for the successful implementation of the activities and events.

Further, all DA Regional Executive Directors are hereby directed to create a Regional Committee to ensure the successful preparation and implementation of the activities for the celebration of the 2022 HVC Week at the regional level.

All DA Service Units, Regional Field Offices, Bureaus, Attached Agencies, and Corporations are hereby advised of the creation of this Committee and are directed to support and/or align activities and are encouraged to participate in the celebration of the HVC Week.

All expenses relative to the conduct of the various activities for the HVC Week celebration shall be chargeable against the funds of the DA-OSEC/HVCDP and/or respective Bureaus, Attached Agencies, Regional Field Offices, and DA Service Units, subject to availability of funds and the usual government accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force until revoked in writing. All orders, memoranda, and issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked.

Done this 22nd day of February 2022.



WILLIAM D. DAR, Ph.D.

Secretary

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