

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

No. 18 Series of 2022

SUBJECT:

DECLARING THE MUNICIPALITY OF KASIBU IN THE PROVINCE OF NUEVA VIZCAYA AS THE "CITRUS CAPITAL OF LUZON"

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Kasibu, in the Province of Nueva Vizcaya has been a significant producer of different varieties of oranges, pummelos, lemons and other Citrus fruits all year-round;

WHEREAS, Citrus is considered a high-value commercial crop which gives farmers consistently high net returns and the further development of its value chain will enhance its productivity and profitability for farmers;

**WHEREAS**, Kasibu has 519 hectares planted to Citrus and a potential expansion area of 495 hectares for citrus production, providing a total physical area of 1,014 hectares suited to Citrus production and a potential annual production of 30,420MT;

WHEREAS, Citrus was declared as the, "One Town One Product" of the Municipality of Kasibu and the Province of Nueva Vizcaya, creating job opportunities for many Novo Vizcayanos;

WHEREAS, the local government of Kasibu and its local farmers are very receptive to further promoting and developing citrus production as a major industry of the Municipality;

**NOW THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM D. DAR,** Secretary of the Department of Agriculture, by the powers vested in me by law, recognizing the importance of Citrus production to the livelihood and income of the people of Kasibu, and the need to further develop the value chain for this product, in order to enhance its contribution to the national economy, do hereby declare the Municipality of Kasibu, Province of Nueva Vizcaya, as the "CITRUS CAPITAL OF LUZON".

Done this <u>24th</u> day of June, 2022 in Quezon City, Philippines

ÍLLIAM D. DAR, Ph.D.

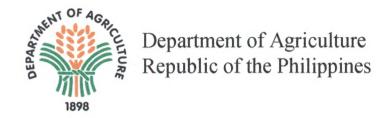
Secretary

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## CERTIFICATE

This Certification is issued by the Department of Agriculture
to the Municipality of *Kasibu, Nueva Vizcaya*in recognition of its invaluable effort in promoting and developing
the Citrus Industry and for sustaining year-round production of citrus fruits to meet the
fresh and processing demand of Luzon, thus making it the

"CITRUS CAPITAL OF LUZON"

Given this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of June 2022 at Quezon City

WILLIAM D. DAR

Secretary

