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SPECIAL ORDER

No. <u>1225</u> Series of 2023

SUBJECT: AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT FOOD SAFETY ACTIVITIES IN OBSERVANCE

OF THE FOOD SAFETY AWARENESS WEEK ON OCTOBER 23-27, 2023

Pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 160 dated August 6, 1999 signed by former President Joseph E. Estrada declaring the last week of October of every year as "Food Safety Awareness Week", all DA offices in the national and regional level are hereby authorized to conduct their respective offices' activities in observance of the occasion on October 23-27, 2023. This year's theme is "Pagkaing ligtas, masustansya at sapat, susi sa magandang kalusugan ng lahat".

The Office of the Assistant Secretary for Regulations shall oversee the overall preparation and implementation of activities for the occasion in collaboration with the Heads of DA Food Safety Regulatory and Support Agencies such as ATI, BAFS, FDC, NDA, SRA, FPA, NMIS, BAI, BPI, BFAR, and PCA while the Regional Executive Directors shall oversee its preparation and implementation in coordination with its Regional Regulatory Divisions within its jurisdiction at the regional level.

All expenses for the conduct of the activity shall be chargeable against the respective offices' funds, subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations and procedures.

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

Done this 2th day of September 2023.

DOMINGO F. PANGANIBAN Senior Undersecretary



