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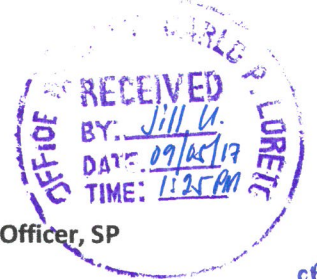
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HON. LEOPOLDO DOMINICO L. PETILLA

Governor
Province of Leyte

Attn: Hon. Carlo P. Loreto, Vice Governor and Presiding Officer, SP



9-11-17 SP MW

Dear Governor Petilla:

Greetings from CARE Philippines!

As you may well know, CARE (Cooperative for Assistance and Relief Everywhere) has been at the forefront of Typhoon Haiyan Emergency Response in 2013 and ongoing rehabilitation efforts in your municipality since 2015, under the Typhoon Haiyan Reconstruction Assistance (THRA) Project funded by Global Affairs Canada (GAC).

To date, we are pleased to inform you that we have successfully conducted the Good Agricultural Practices Training for Cassava Farmers in coordination with PhilRootcrops and the Visayas State University, wherein seven demo farms will be established in key areas, municipalities in Leyte. The production and processing of cassava is part of CARE supported value chain which now spreads to 14 plus Ormoc from 4 focus municipalities in Leyte and thus, as our LGU partner we would like to endorse this project to your good office.

In brief, CARE has the following initiatives which we seek your approval, formal recognition, and support via an Executive Order and endorsement for SP Resolution, to wit:

1. The GAC THRA Project in the Province of Leyte particularly focused on the development of the Cassava Value Chain in 14 municipalities plus Ormoc;
2. Inclusion of Cassava Production and Processing as one of the priority enterprises in the Provincial Development Plan;
3. The Provincial Technical Quality Working Group (MTQWG) a regular platform for meeting with local stakeholders in the value chain. This includes farmer representatives of our Community Enterprise Facility (CEFs); Community Based Development Facilitators (CBDFs); PAO; DILG; PENRO, PDRRMO; PPDC, DSWD; Office of the SP and Office of the Governor; CARE and Fatima MPC, our Facilitating Partner;
4. GAD Network an informal group of Gender and Development Advocates and Specialist from CARE Philippines, DSWD (LGU level), DILG (LGU level) and the community;
5. Integrated Risk Management (IRM) by the LGU and Environmental Management Plan (EMP) interventions as part of building resilient and sustainable livelihoods;
6. Community Based Development Facilitators (CBDFs) – a group of CARE trained facilitators that roll out various livelihood and capacity building related trainings in the barangays of these 14 municipalities including the City of Ormoc.

Your support is very important to the success of these undertakings in the province. Given, we are confident that even after THRA Project ends in 2018, the cassava value chain will be sustainable.

Very truly yours,

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