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LPP SPECIAL MEETING RESOLUTION NO. 2020-014

REQUESTING THE INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE ON THE MANAGEMENT OF EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES (IATF-MEID) TO GRANT PROVINCES UNDER GENERAL COMMUNITY QUARANTINE (GCQ) THE AUTHORITY TO IMPOSE INBOUND TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS ON INDIVIDUALS COMING FROM OTHER AREAS UNDER ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE (ECQ), MODIFIED ENHANCED COMMUNITY QUARANTINE (MECQ), AND GCQ, TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF CORONAVIRUS DISEASE (COVID-19) WITHIN THEIR RESPECTIVE JURISDICTIONS

WHEREAS, IATF Resolution Nos. 35 and 35-A, Series of 2020 identified low- and moderate-risk provinces, highly urbanized cities and independent component cities and placed them under general community quarantine (GCQ).;

WHEREAS, the declaration of low- and moderate-risk provinces, highly urbanized cities and independent component cities under GCQ, will ease up travel restrictions and allow interzonal and intrazonal travels to GCQ areas;

WHEREAS, absent any clear safety protocols on inter-boundary and inter-island travel within and across GCQ areas from other areas under community quarantine, there is increased risk to the safety and health of all the residents;

WHEREAS, allowing unregulated movement of people from other areas under community quarantine to GCQ areas may likely result in the inadvertent transmission of COVID-19, especially among asymptomatic individuals;

WHEREAS, with the easing up of travel restrictions in GCQ areas, Local Government Units are mandated to adopt and implement measures to promote the general welfare of their constituents including the strict monitoring of inbound travelers and enforcement of physical distancing protocols in public transportation;

WHEREAS, Sec. 16, Chapter 2, Title 1, Book 1 of the Local Government Code, provides that *"every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare."*¹

¹ Sec. 16 of the Local Government Code of the Philippines of 1991.

NOW THEREFORE, be it resolved, as it is hereby resolved, that the League of Provinces of the Philippines (“LPP”) requests the Inter-Agency Task Force on the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IAFT-MEID) to grant provinces under general community quarantine the authority to impose inbound travel restrictions on individuals coming from areas under ECQ, MECQ, and GCQ, to prevent the spread of Covid-19 within their respective jurisdictions.

RESOLVED FURTHER, to allow provinces under GCQ to impose safety protocols such as rapid antibody screening, PCR testing, and quarantine to all those individuals seeking to enter their boundaries, including those transiting through their jurisdiction.

RESOLVED FINALLY, to furnish the Office of the President, the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), and all the IATF-MEID member agencies, a copy of this resolution for their appropriate action.

DONE, this 15th day of May 2020 during the 3rd Special Zoom Meeting of the League of Provinces of the Philippines.

Certified true and correct:



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Attested by:



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