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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 004 – 2023

AN ORDER INSTITUTIONALIZING THE ACTIVE PARTICIPATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SANTA MARIA, BULACAN IN THE CITIES AND MUNICIPALITIES COMPETITIVENESS INDEX (CMCI) SURVEY AND CREATING THE TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP THEREFOR

WHEREAS, Local Government Units (LGUs) play an important role in promoting national growth and implementing reforms that will stimulate development and contribute to the country's overall competitiveness;

WHEREAS, in recognition of the important contribution and role of LGUs for national competitiveness, the National Competitiveness Council through the Regional Competitiveness Committees (RCCs) with the assistance of the United States Agency for International Development, developed the Cities and Municipalities Competitiveness Index (CMCI);

WHEREAS, on October 5, 2015, Regional Memorandum Circular No.42 was issued by the Department of the Interior and Local Government, enjoining the participation of LGUs in the CMCI Survey;

WHEREAS, the Memorandum Circular No.2016-65 subsequently issued by the Department of the Interior and Local Government on May 17, 2016, encouraging the participation of all Mayors, DILG Provincial and Regional Directors, City and Municipal Local Government Operations and all other concerned to participate in the CMCI;

WHEREAS, the CMCI is a list of indicators that serves as a reference for each city and municipality to measure the level of productivity/competitiveness, which can propel economic activity. It encourages LGUs to gather and submit data that is used to measure their performance on the five pillars, namely economic dynamism,government efficiency,infrastructure,resiliency, and innovation;

WHEREAS, enhancing competitiveness is essential to foster the viability of the province as the Country's Investment Capital and would be instrumental in strengthening economic potential and attaining inclusive growth;

WHEREAS, the CMCI provides a picture of LGU's performance in measuring competitiveness,and the data can be used as a diagnostic tool to assess and identify areas for improvement and collaboration in policy making, development planning, and investment promotion;

WHEREAS, there's a need to institutionalize data collection in order to establish mechanisms for data generation, particularly in the conduct of assessment of LGU performance and competitiveness;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BARTOLOME R. RAMOS, Local Chief Executive of the Municipality of Santa Maria, Province of Bulacan, by virtue of the power vested in me by law do hereby, order to **institutionalize the Active Participation of the Municipality of Santa Maria, Bulacan in the Cities and Municipalities Competitiveness Index (CMCI) Survey and Creating the Technical Working Group therefor.**

SECTION 1. COMPOSITION.-The CMCI Technical Working Group for the purpose of gathering,assessing and analyzing significant data and information related to the cities and municipalities competitive index shall be composed of the following:

SECTION I. The Committee shall be composed by the following:

Chairman	-	**BARTOLOME R. RAMOS** Municipal Mayor
Vice Chairman	-	**ELMER B. CLEMENTE** Executive Assistant II
Members	-	**ENGR. RODELIO A. BERNARDO** Mun. Planning and Development Coordinator
		MARIA FILIPINA V. NIETO Designated Local Economic Development and Investment Promotion Officer
		MYRNA V. LOPEZ Designated Business Permit and Licensing Officer
		ENGR. CARMELITA G. GUEVARRA Municipal Engineer
		MANUELA P. DEL ROSARIO Municipal Budget Officer
		ALELIE B. RAMOS Municipal Treasurer
		ENGR. ARNIC B. HERMOGENES Municipal Assessor
		JONATHAN RICHEL HALILI Local Disaster Risk Reduction Management Officer III

ROMMEL Z. ENRIQUEZ
Mun. Environment and Natural Resource Officer

MA. CONSUELO G. FELICIANO
Municipal Health Officer

JAYFIE P. NASARRO
Mun. Local Government Operations Officer

MA. NERISSA DEL ROSARIO
Designated Tourism Officer

ROMEO ARIS TEVES
System Analyst I

SECTION 2. FUNCTIONS.-The CMCI Technical Working Group shall have the following functions based on the pillars assigned:

a) Establish data banking relative to the CMCI;
b) Initiate strategies and network with public and private institutions to comprehensively obtain the required data or information relating to the CMCI;
c) Conduct meetings when necessary;
d) Analyze,interpret and submit the accurate data with supporting documents to concerned agency in a timely manner;
e) Conduct CMCI assessment and facilitate the necessary action plan and strategy to address the identified gaps and improve the CMCI ranking of LGUs in the province; and
f) Actively participate in the CMCI activities facilitated by Provincial Cities and Municipalities-TWG and other concerned Agencies.

SECTION 3. SECRETARIAT - The Municipal Planning and Development Office (MPDO) will serve as the secretariat of the CMCI Technical Working Group

SECTION 4. FUNCTIONS OF THE SECRETARIAT. -The Secretariat shall have the following functions:

a) To call to order the meeting of the CMCI TWG;
b) To prepare the agenda, minutes, and other documents for use of the CMCI TWG;
c) To safeguard the documents of the CMCI TWG;and
d) To perform other tasks that may be assigned by the CMCI TWG.

SECTION 5. DESIGNATING THE FOCAL PERSON. The Focal person for the CMCI Technical Working Group shall be the following:

Focal Person	-	**ENGR. ERIC PAUL SANTOS** Economist II
Alternate Focal Person	-	**DIANE THERESE C. REYES** Population Program Worker I

SECTION 6. FUNCTIONS OF THE FOCAL PERSON.-The Focal Person shall ensure the submission of all concerned Offices/ Departments and meticulously review the accuracy and totality of the consolidated data prior to the approval and submission of the final report.

SECTION 7. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. –If any part or provision of this Executive Order is held invalid or unconstitutional, by any court of competent authority, the other parts or provisions not affected shall remain valid and effective.

SECTION 8. REPEALING CLAUSE.-All executive orders,related rules and regulations and other issuances or parts thereof that are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby replaced or modified accordingly.

SECTION 9. EFFECTIVITY. - This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Done this 1st day of March 2023, here at the Municipality of Santa Maria, Bulacan.

BARTOLOME R. RAMOS
Municipal Mayor