RESOLUTION NO. 1243
Series of 2020
POSTPONING THE AUGUST 2020 BOARD LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS AND RESCHEDULING THEREOF

WHEREAS, the Commission, in Resolution No. 1210 (s. 2019) approved the schedule of the professional licensure examinations for Calendar Year 2020, including the licensure examinations for August 2020, particularly those for Certified Plant Mechanic, Guidance and Counseling, Mechanical Engineering, Medical Technology, Mining Engineering, Nutrition and Dietetics, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Sanitary Engineering, Social Workers, and Veterinary Medicine;

WHEREAS, the President issued Presidential Proclamation No. 922 (s. 2020) declaring a State of Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines and enjoining all agencies to render full assistance and mobilizing necessary resources to undertake critical, urgent, and appropriate measures to curtail and eliminate the Corona Virus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) threat;

WHEREAS, Presidential Proclamation No. 929 (s. 2020) was thereafter issued declaring a State of Calamity throughout the Philippines due to COVID-19 for a period of six (6) months, unless earlier lifted or extended as circumstances may warrant;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11469 or the “Bayanihan to Heal as One Act of 2020” was passed into law on 24 March 2020 declaring a state of national emergency over the entire country in view of the continuing rise of confirmed cases of COVID-19 that has become a serious threat to health, safety, security, and lives, adversely affecting livelihood, and disruptive of economic activities;

WHEREAS, in support of the government efforts to safeguard against COVID-19 and to contain the spread of the said disease, the Commission issued Resolution Nos. 1230, 1235, and 1241 (s. 2020) postponing the conduct of the scheduled March-April, May-June and July 2020 licensure examinations, respectively;

WHEREAS, the unprecedented challenges brought about by COVID-19 caused alarm, fear and anxiety for the health and safety of all concerned, and to the anticipated complexities in the preparation and conduct of the scheduled August 2020 licensure examinations;

WHEREAS, the Licensure Office and the Professional Regulatory Boards (PRBs) concerned with scheduled August 2020 licensure examinations recommend the postponement of the conduct thereof to the Commission;

NOW THEREFORE, in view of the foregoing and to ensure the health and safety of the PRC examinees, PRBs, and examination personnel, the Commission RESOLVED to POSTPONE the conduct of the following scheduled August 2020 licensure examinations, as follows: Certified Plant Mechanic; Guidance and Counseling; Mechanical Engineering; Mining Engineering; Nutrition and Dietetics; Occupational Therapy; Physical Therapy; Sanitary Engineering; Social Workers; and Veterinary Medicine, and to RESCHEDULE the said examinations to appropriate dates thereafter.

Done in the City of Manila this 29th day of May 2020.

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Chairman

YOLANDA D. REYES
Commissioner

JOSE Y. CUETO, JR.
Commissioner

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