PROFESSIONAL REGULATION COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO. 2013-785
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WAIVER OF THE REQUIREMENT OF THE SPECIAL TEMPORARY PERMIT (STP) FOR ALL FOREIGN PROFESSIONALS ASSISTING IN THE RELIEF, REHABILITATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF THOSE AREAS AFFECTED BY TYPHOON “YOLANDA”

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 8981, otherwise known as the PRC Modernization Act of 2000, authorizes the Professional Regulation Commission to issue Special Temporary Permits (STPs) to all foreign professionals intending to practice in the Philippines, including those who are to engage in humanitarian missions in the country;

WHEREAS, the storm surge brought about by Typhoon Yolanda has left the afflicted areas with a high toll of casualties and massive damages which crippled the locality’s vital infrastructure, particularly its transportation and communication systems;

WHEREAS, appeals have been received by the Commission for the waiver or suspension of the STP requirement for foreign professionals who will be involved in the relief operations to assist typhoon victims and in the rehabilitation and reconstruction of infrastructure and establishments heavily damaged by the typhoon;

NOW THEREFORE, out of humanitarian considerations, the COMMISSION has RESOLVED, as it so RESOLVES, to waive the STP requirement for the foreign professionals who will be involved in relief assistance to the typhoon victims and in the rehabilitation and reconstruction of the affected areas;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that all local government units, government agencies and non-governmental organizations securing the services of foreign professionals, in connection with the abovementioned undertakings, shall submit the names of the foreign professionals they will engage to the concerned PRC Regional Office.

Done this 14th day of November, 2013 in the City of Manila.

[Signatures]

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