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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

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TO

ALL PROVINCIAL GOVERNORS, CITY/MUNICIPAL MAYORS, PUNONG BARANGAYS, PROVINCIAL/CITY MUNICIPAL SANGGUNIAN, DILG REGIONAL DIRECTORS, THE BARMM MINISTER FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT, AND ALL OTHERS

CONCERNED

SUBJECT

IMPOSITION OF REASONABLE FEES AND CHARGES ON ISSUING MEDICAL CERTIFICATES AND OTHER SERVICES CONSISTENT WITH DILG-DOF JOINT MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2019-01 ON RATIONALIZATION OF LGU FEES

AND CHARGES

The Constitution grants local government units (LGUs) the power to create its own sources of revenues and to levy taxes, fees, and charges which shall accrue for its sole benefit. Fees and charges are defined as those exactions derived from the exercise of the regulatory powers of LGUs.

In view of the severe disruption of economic activities brought about by the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19), and to promote and protect the collective interests of all Filipinos in these challenging times, and as the country transitions to the new normal, the Department is reiterating adherence of LGUs to DILG-DOF JMC 2019-01 entitled "Guidelines for the Review, Adjustment, Setting and/or Adoption of Reasonable Regulatory Fees and Charges of Local Government Units" to ensure uniform procedures in setting reasonable fees and charges as provided for by Republic Act (RA) No. 7160, otherwise known as the New Local Government Code (LGC) of 1991. Moreover, said JMC sets a balance between recovering the cost of services and the ease of doing business in compliance with RA No. 11032, otherwise known as the Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery (EODB/EGSD) Act of 2018.

In view thereof, all LGUs are hereby enjoined to review and set reasonable cost of imposed fees and charges in accordance with the above-mentioned guidelines and ensuring that the identified fees and charges commensurate to the services rendered by the LGU.

All DILG Regional Directors and Field Officers are hereby directed to cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular within their respective area of jurisdiction.

For the information and guidance of all concerned.

DUARDO M. AÑO Secretary

