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CERTIFICATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that at the regular session duly constituted of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Province of Pangasinan, held on August 8, 2022 at Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial resolution was approved:

Authored by SP Member Vici M. Ventanilla and
co-authored by all Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

PROVINCIAL RESOLUTION NO. 678-2022

**CONGRATULATING DR. J. PROSPERO “POPOY” E. DE VERA
III FOR BEING REAPPOINTED BY PRESIDENT FERDINAND R.
MARCOS, JR. AS CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMISSION ON
HIGHER EDUCATION (CHED)**

WHEREAS, the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) which was created on May 18, 1994 through Republic Act No. 7722 or the Higher Education Act of 1994 is the agency in charge of promoting relevant and quality higher education, ensuring access to quality higher education, and guaranteeing and protecting academic freedom for continuing intellectual growth, advancement of learning and research, development of responsible and effective leadership, education of higher level professionals, and enrichment of historical and cultural heritages;

WHEREAS, former President Rodrigo Roa Duterte appointed a Pangasinense, Dr. J. Prospero “Popoy” E. de Vera III to serve as Chairman of the CHED from October 2018 until July 21, 2022;

WHEREAS, Dr. de Vera is credited as the father of UniFAST (The United Financial Assistance System for Tertiary Education Act) which provided free tertiary education to more than 1.5 million college students enrolled in state colleges and universities;

WHEREAS, Dr. de Vera is also the man behind the massive internationalization program of SUCs allowing greater number of Philippine universities to be ranked and rated in international rating systems;

WHEREAS, Dr. de Vera has also been known to many because of his innovative community- oriented programs like “Padyak”, a nationwide caravan that aimed to promote the important role of tertiary education in building a stronger and more resilient Philippines;



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WHEREAS, in recognition of Dr. de Vera's unprecedented and sterling performance at the helm of the CHED, President Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr. reappointed him as the Chairman anew of the CHED;

WHEREAS, the Province of Pangasinan praises and lauds Dr. de Vera for the honor and prestige he brought to our province;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of SP Member Vici M. Ventanilla and co-authored by all Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, duly seconded, it was -

RESOLVED, by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled to congratulate, as he is hereby congratulated, Dr. J. Prospero "Popoy" E. De Vera III for being reappointed by President Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr. as Chairman of the Commission on Higher Education (CHED);

RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this resolution be furnished to Dr. J. Prospero "Popoy" E. de Vera III, Chairman of the CHED, for his information.

CERTIFIED BY:

VERNA T. NAVA-PEREZ
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

MARK RONALD DG. LAMBINO
Vice Governor
(Presiding Officer)