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NSWMC Resolution No. 1441, Series of 2021

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE NATIONAL PLAN OF ACTION FOR THE PREVENTION, REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT OF MARINE LITTER (NPOA-ML)

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the state to adopt a systematic, comprehensive and ecological solid waste management program which shall ensure, among others, (1) the protection of public health and environment, (2) utilize environmentally-sound methods that maximize the utilization of valuable resources and encourage resource conservation and recovery, (3) encourage greater private sector participation in solid waste management, and (4) institutionalize public participation in the development and implementation of national and local integrated, comprehensive and ecological solid waste management programs;

WHEREAS, the enactment of Republic Act 9003 (RA 9003) institutionalized the creation of the National Solid Waste Management Commission (NSWMC), an inter-agency body that is mandated to oversee the implementation of the solid waste management plans and prescribe policies to achieve the objectives of the Act;

WHEREAS, the National Plan of Action for the Prevention, Reduction and Management of Marine Litter (NPOA-ML) is consistent with the provisions of RA 9003 on mandatory segregation (Sections 21 and 22), segregated collection, transfer and transport of waste (Sections 23 to 25), and mandatory solid waste diversion starting at 25% (Section 20). Segregation and collection of solid waste shall be conducted at the barangay level specifically for biodegradable and recyclable wastes, provided that the collection of non-recyclable materials and special wastes shall be the responsibility of the municipality or city;

WHEREAS, the National Solid Waste Management Commission (NSWMC), support the NPOA-ML'S vision of "*A Philippines free of marine litter through shared responsibility, accountability, and participatory governance*" and an overarching goal of "*Zero waste to Philippine waters by 2040*";

WHEREAS, the NPOA-ML aims to provide blueprint to enhance the current efforts of the country in resource and waste management and to bring additional lens to marine litter issues and the control of additional leakage of waste into bodies of water;

WHEREAS, the members of the NSWMC Executive Committee, on its April 22, 2021 meeting recommended to the NSWMC En Banc the adoption of the National Plan of Action for the Prevention, Reduction and Management of Marine Litter (NPOA-ML).

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the National Plan of Action for the Prevention, Reduction and Management of Marine Litter (NPOA-ML) consisting of the following programmatic cluster and strategies be adopted by the National Solid Waste Management Commission:

I. Programmatic Cluster of Actions

Strategy 1: Establish science- and evidence-based baseline information on marine litter

Strategy 2: Mainstream circular economy (CE) and sustainable consumption and production (SCP) initiatives

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Strategy 3: Enhance recovery and recycling coverage and markets

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Strategy 5: Reduce maritime sources of marine litter

Strategy 6: Manage litter that is already existing in the riverine and marine environments

II. Enabling/Cross-cutting Cluster of Actions

Strategy 7: Enhance policy support and enforcement for marine litter prevention and management

Strategy 8: Develop and implement strategic and targeted social marketing and communications campaigns using various media

Strategy 9: Enable sufficient and cost-effective financing and other institutional resource requirements for the implementation of the NPOA-ML

Strategy 10: Strengthen local government unit (LGU) capacities and local level implementation of NPOA-ML

FURTHER, it is hereby resolved that the DENR and, as may be necessary, other members of the Commission, shall issue their respective Department Memorandum Circular(s) or any appropriate issuance for the implementation and dissemination of this Resolution

APPROVED on this 12th day of May 2021.

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