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**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 09,**  
**SERIES OF 2023**

**AN ORDER REORGANIZING THE PROVINCIAL MINING REGULATORY BOARD (PMRB)  
OF THE PROVINCE OF DAVAO ORIENTAL**

**WHEREAS**, Section 17 (a) of the Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the "Local Government Code of 1991," provides that the Local government units shall endeavor to be self-reliant and shall continue exercising the powers and discharging the duties and functions currently vested upon them;

**WHEREAS**, Section 24 of the Republic Act No. 7076, otherwise known as the People's Small-scale Mining Act of 1991, mandates the creation of the Provincial Mining Regulatory Board (PMRB) under the direct supervision and control of the Secretary;

**WHEREAS**, Article IV Section 26 of the Provincial Ordinance No. 13-10-2012 An Ordinance Enacting the Environment Code of the Province of Davao Oriental, provides that the Provincial Mining Regulatory Board (PMRB) shall be the implementing agency of the DENR for small-scale mining;

**WHEREAS**, Section 70 of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources Administrative Order No. 2010-21 Revised Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 7942, otherwise known as the Philippine Mining Act of 1995 provides that the Provincial Mining Regulatory Board (PMRB) shall be chaired by the Regional Director concerned or his/her duly authorized representative and shall be co-chaired by the Provincial Governor or his/her duly authorized representative with the following members:

- a. Small-scale mining representative
- b. Large-scale mining representative
- c. Department-duly accredited environmental Nongovernmental Organization representative

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to reorganize the membership of the Provincial Mining Regulatory Board and its members of the secretariate; and,

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, NIÑO SOTERO L. UY, JR.**, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law as Governor of the Province of Davao Oriental, hereby ordain the following:

**SECTION 1. COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD**

Chairman : **ATTY. JASPER ALBERTO H. LASCANO, ENP, CESO V**  
DENR-MGB XI Regional Director

Vice-Chairman : **NIÑO SOTERO L. UY, JR.**  
Provincial Governor of Davao Oriental

Members:

1. MR. ARSENIO N. GORGONIO, Representative from the Small-Scale Mining Industry
2. DR. ARVIN L. CARLOM, EnP, Representative from the Large-Scale Mining Industry
3. MR. NILO L. GAUSE, Representative from the CSO/Nongovernment Organization

Additional members may be added through consensus of the PMRB but such members shall act only as observers during official meetings of the Board.

**SECTION 2. FUNCTIONS OF THE BOARD.** The Board shall exercise the following powers and functions:

- a) Accept, process, and evaluate applications for Quarry, Sand and Gravel, Guano, Gemstone Gathering and Small-scale mining permits;
- b) Determine administrative charges and fees for Quarry, Sand and Gravel, Guano, Gemstone Gathering and Small-scale mining permits duly filed with the same;
- c) Declare and segregate existing gold-rich areas for small-scale mining;
- d) Reserve future gold and other mining areas for small-scale mining;
- e) Award contracts to small-scale miners;
- f) Formulate and implement rules and regulations related to small-scale mining;
- g) Settle disputes, conflicts, or litigations over conflicting claims within a people's small-scale mining area, an area that is declared a small mining area; and
- h) Perform such other functions, subject to review by the Secretary as may be necessary to achieve the goals and objectives of the People's Small-scale Mining Act.

**SECTION 3. SECRETARIAT.** The secretariat of the Provincial Mining Regulatory Board of Davao Oriental shall be composed of the following:

Head Secretariat to the Board:

**EnP DOLORES D. VALDESCO, MAURP**  
PGDH-ENRO

Assistant Head Secretariat  
to the Board

**GEN LEOPOLDO A IMBANG, JR, PA (RET)**  
Executive Assistant V/Chief, NRCOD-ENRO

Members of the Secretariat:

**MR. EVERINDO L. ESVER**  
Executive Assistant V/PGO-COS

**FOR. KHURSHID B. VALLES**  
SEMS/NRCOD-ENRO

**FOR. DONALD P. BENIGNO**  
AA-III/FMBD-ENRO

**FOR. MARIA FE N. LEGURPA**  
EMPCD-ENRO

**MS. KRISTELA MARIES E. TELERON**  
CDA-I/NRCOD-ENRO

Assigned Technical Personnel  
to the Board

**ENGR. AIMAR P. CELIBRADO**  
EMS-I/FBMD-ENRO

**ENGR. BENEDICT MANUEL M. MASANGUID**  
EMS-I (Casual)/EMPCD-ENRO

**GEOL. JUNIELYN JANE S. PAREJA**  
CDA-I/NRCOD-ENRO

Support Staff to the Board

MR. OSCAR B. FAJARDO  
Job Order/NRCOD-ENRO

MS. RUBY JEAN L. SALINO  
Job Order/NRCOD-ENRO

SECTION 4. TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT. The Regional Office concerned shall provide the technical secretariat to the Provincial Mining Regulatory Board (PMRB) pursuant to Section 70 of the Consolidated Department of Environment and Natural Resources Administrative Order No. 2010-21:

Technical Secretariat to the Board: MS. ANGEL MAE N. CABAYLO  
SSRS, DENR-MGB XI

SECTION 5. FUNCTIONS OF THE SECRETARIAT. The secretariat shall assist in the preparation of the meeting of the provincial Mining Regulatory Board as well as serve as the records keeper of the Board.

SECTION 6. FUNDING. In consideration of its services rendered, the above-named personnel shall be granted the following Honoraria:

1. Chairman/Vice-Chairman/Member – Php 10,000.00
2. Secretariat and members – Php 5,000.00
3. Assigned Technical Personnel/Staff – Php 3,000.00

based on meetings attended at the rate prescribed by pertinent laws subject to existing accounting and auditing procedures.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon signing hereof and shall remain effective until revoked.

SO ORDERED, this 2<sup>th</sup> of August \_\_\_\_\_ in City of Mati, Province of Davao Oriental, Philippines.

  
NIÑO SOTERO L. UY, JR.  
Provincial Governor

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