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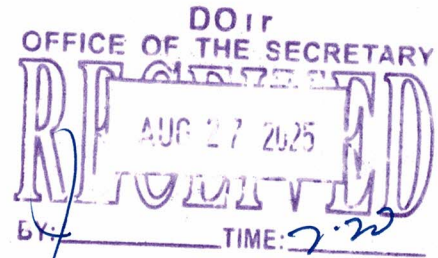
**HON. VINCE P. DIZON**

Secretary

Department of Transportation (DOTr)

Primex Tower, EDSA corner Connecticut St.

San Juan City



Subject: **Appeal for Strengthened Inter-Agency Coordination on Road Infrastructure Projects and Prayer for Immediate Withdrawal of DPWH Department Order No. 73, s. 2014**

**Dear Secretary Dizon,**

Warm greetings!

We respectfully submit herewith our **Appeal/Position Paper** urging strengthened inter-agency coordination in the implementation of national road infrastructure projects, particularly with respect to right-of-way (ROW) clearing, drainage systems, environmental safeguards, and alignment with local government climate resilience and development initiatives.

We also earnestly pray for the **immediate withdrawal of DPWH Department Order No. 73, Series of 2014 ("Prohibited Uses Within the Right-of-Way of National Roads")**, which has caused confusion and unintended conflict at the community level, and which undermines the principles of participatory governance and sustainable urban development.

The Department of Transportation plays a crucial role in this effort, as road networks and transport systems are inextricably linked to economic mobility, equitable access, and inclusive growth. We believe that DOTr's leadership will be vital in ensuring that national road projects integrate seamlessly with local transport and mobility plans, avoiding displacement and promoting social equity.

We trust in your vision and commitment to building a truly people-oriented transportation system, and we look forward to DOTr's support in harmonizing national infrastructure with local resilience and development priorities.

Thank you, and we extend our best wishes for your continued success in public service.

Very truly,

  
**PETRONILO "PETE" L. ILAGAN**  
Chairman and CEO

*"The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding." (Proverbs 9:10)*