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WHEREAS, Section 14 (b) of Republic Act No. 7796 mandates that TESDA shall develop and establish a national system of skills standardization, testing and certification and conduct research and development on various occupational areas in order to recommend policies, rules and regulations for effective and efficient skills standardization, testing and certification system in the country.

WHEREAS, concerns relating to water safety, drowning prevention, lifesaving, lifeguarding, water rescue and lifesaving sports have led to more emphasis in the area of lifeguarding services;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Drowning Prevention Council (PDPC) and Philippine Association on Underwater Activities (PAUA) have stressed that the safety of people at different aquatic environments calls for, among others skills development in the following areas; aquatic lifesaver/lifeguard, Pool Lifeguard, Leisure Pool Lifeguard (Recreational Pool and Water Parks), Beach Lifeguard (Beach Resorts), Inland Open water Lifeguard (River and Lake Resorts), and Surf Lifeguards (Surf Resorts);

WHEREAS, in the 50th Standards Setting and Systems Development (SSSD) Committee TESDA Board-TESDA Secretariat Consultation Meeting on 15 December 2011, the body favorably endorsed for consideration and approval of the TESDA Board the prioritization for training regulations development for lifeguard services;

WHEREAS, during the 87th TESDA Board Meeting on 17 December 2013, the TESDA Board considered and approved the prioritization of the qualification title of Lifeguard Services for training regulations development;

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WHEREAS, industry experts and partners, headed by Mr. Arne A. Navarra, President of Philippine Lifesaving Society Inc. (PLSI), Mr. Benedict A. Reyes, Chairperson of the Philippine Drowning Prevention Council (PDPC) and Philippine Association on Underwater Activities (PAUA), and Ms. Anabelle Ochoa Moreno, Chairperson of Tourism Industry Board Foundation, Inc. and other organizations involved in drowning prevention with the technical assistance of the Qualifications and Standards Office (QSO) of TESDA, have developed and endorsed the same for TESDA Board approval;

WHEREAS, during the 78th and Special Standards-Setting and Systems Development (SSSD) Committee TESDA Board-TESDA Secretariat Consultation Meeting held on 02 July 2015 and 30 October 2015 respectively, the Committee favorably endorsed the promulgation of the above-mentioned Training Regulations for Lifeguard Services NC II and Lifeguard Services NC III;

WHEREAS, during the 92nd TESDA Board Meeting on 16 December 2015 at 2:00 p.m., the TESDA Board considered and approved the promulgation of the Training Regulations for Lifeguard Services NC II and Lifeguard Services NC III:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED,, that the TESDA Board in this meeting today, 16 December 2015 at 2:00 p.m. approves and promulgates the aforementioned Training Regulations for Lifeguard Services NC II and Lifeguard Services NC III, as herein appended;

BE IT RESOLVED, FINALLY, that (1) copies of this Resolution and the abovementioned Training Regulations be published and disseminated to all concerned, and the same shall be effective fifteen (15) days upon publication;

(2) All programs to be registered under these new Training Regulations must comply with the requirements of the aforementioned Training Regulations. The one-year period of registration under this new Training Regulations shall commence on the date of effectivity as indicated in the Implementing Guidelines/ Republic of the Philippines TECHNICAL EDUCATION AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY East Service Road, South Superhighway, Taguig City

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TESDA Circular for the deployment of the Training Regulations to be issued by the TESDA Secretariat; and

(3) Graduates of TVET programs covered by the aforementioned Training Regulations shall be required to undergo mandatory assessment under the national assessment and certification program.

Adopted this 16th day of December 2015.

RINALYN B. DUMOL **Board Secretary VI**

Attested by:

BR. ARMIN A. LUÍSTRO FSC Co-Chairperson, TESDA Board Secretary, Department of Education