## REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES REGIONAL TRIAL COURT FOURTH JUDICIAL REGION TRECE MARTIRES, CAVITE

## OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE JUDGE

IN RE: PETITION FOR RENEWAL OF ACCREDITATION TO PUBLISH LEGAL AND JUDICIAL NOTICES.

TMACCRE-002-20

PULSO NG MAKABAGONG CAVITENO NEWS PUBLICATION, as rep. by its Publisher, REBECCA M. VELASQUEZ,

Petitioner.

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## ORDER

This is a verified petition filed by Rebecca M. Velasquez, publisher, on 5 November 2020 for the re-accreditation of PULSO NG MAKABAGONG CAVITEÑO to publish all legal notices and announcements required by law to be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the Province of Cavite, pursuant to the provisions of Presidential Decree No. 1079, Supreme Court En Banc Resolution, Administrative Matter No. 01-1-07-SC and OCA Circular No. 5-2002.

Notice of Hearing dated 2 December 2020 (Exhibit "B") was issued setting the petition for hearing on 26 January 2021 and all interested persons who have cause or reason to object to the grant of the same were directed to file a verified written opposition. The said Notice of Hearing was posted at the bulletin board of the Regional Trial Court, Trece Martires City (Exhibit "C") and was received by the duly authorized representative of the petitioner.

During the initial hearing on 19 January 2021, Atty. Jose R. Bawalan appeared as counsel for the petitioner and pre-marked Exhibits "A" to "R" inclusive of its sub-markings to prove compliance with the jurisdictional requirements and to support the allegations in the petition.

On 22 January 2021, petitioner, together with her counsel Atty. Jose R. Bawalan, appeared and submitted petitioner's Mayor's Permit which is valid until the end of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2021. Hence, petitioner complied with all the requirements enunciated in A.M. No. 01-107-SC.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Guidelines in the Accreditation of Newspapers and Periodicals Seeking to Publish Judicial and Legal Notices and Other Similar Announcements and in the Raffle Thereof.

On today's hearing, nobody appeared to oppose the instant petition.

After going over the petition and the documentary evidence presented the following facts were established, to wit:

PULSO NG MAKABAGONG CAVITEÑO is a weekly newspaper edited and published in the Province of Cavite with editorial and office address at 79 Medicion 1-B, Imus City, Cavite with Telephone No. (046) 515-6997. It officially started its circulation on March 29 to April 2004 (Exhibit "D") and every week thereafter up to present, as evidenced by the fifty-two (52) uninterrupted publication and circulation of newspaper copies (Exhibits "E") with 2,000 printed copies regularly for a period of about sixteen (16) years. The said newspaper was duly registered with the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) as per Certificate of Business Name Registration with Business Name No. 1017276 valid from 3 June 2019 to 3 June 2024 (Exhibit "G"). It was granted Mayor's Permit by the Office of the Mayor of City of Imus, Cavite (Exhibit "I"). It was registered with the Bureau of Internal Revenue with TIN No. 910-482-387-000 (Exhibit "H"). It was previously accredited to publish judicial or legal notices in the Province of Cavite by the Regional Trial Courts of Bacoor, Cavite (Exhibits "M"), Carmona, Cavite (Exhibit "M-1"), Dasmarinas, Cavite (Exhibit "M-2"), Imus, Cavite (Exhibit "M-3"), Naic, Cavite (Exhibit "M-4"), Tagaytay City, Cavite (Exhibit "M-5"), and Trece Martires City, Cavite (Exhibit "M-6"). It is being circulated in the Province of Cavite as evidenced by a list of bonafide subscribers (Exhibit "F") and did not merely reproduce or reprint news pages of other newspapers or periodicals within the region. It is a member of the Publishers Association of the Philippines, Inc. (PAPI) (Exhibit "L"). Petitioner submitted three (3) sample issues of newspaper (Exhibits "R" to "R-2") with the prescribed format of Presidential Decree 1079. It also carries a commercial display advertising and it submitted a photocopy of the current advertising contract form (Exhibit "N"), its commercial display (Exhibit "Q"), and official receipts (Exhibit "K"). At present, the said newspaper is not participating in the raffle of legal and judicial notices in other provinces or cities.

Hence, the pieces of evidence presented show that petitioner PULSO NG MAKABAGONG CAVITEÑO has all the qualifications and none of the disqualifications as set forth under A.M. No. 01-1-107-SC (Guidelines in the Accreditation of Newspapers and Periodicals Seeking to Publish Judicial and Legal Notices and Other Similar Announcements and in the Raffle Thereof). Moreover, no one opposed the petition for accreditation despite the posting of the date of hearing and the venue thereof.

IN VIEW OF THE FOREGOING, the instant petition is hereby GRANTED. The PULSO NG MAKABAGONG CAVITEÑO is hereby allowed to participate in the raffle of judicial, legal notices and orders issued by all the courts within the jurisdiction of the Regional Trial Court of Trece Martires City, Cavite and to publish the said judicial and legal notices and orders within the Province of Cavite. The accreditation shall be

valid within five (5) years from the date of approval unless suspended or revoked in accordance with the guidelines.

Petitioner is ordered to submit to the Office of the Executive Judge a copy of its newspaper before the date of each and every raffle participated in by it. The same is further ordered to faithfully comply with the following prescribed format by the Supreme Court appearing in its Circular No. 5-2002- dated January 11, 2002, to wit:

Title text size not more than 10 pts.

Body text size not more than 8 pts.

Column width not Less than 9 ems

Let PULSO NG MAKABAGONG CAVITEÑO be included in the list of accredited newspapers, which shall be posted in three conspicuous places Regional Trial Court Trece Martires City, Government Center Building, Trece Martires City, Cavite and in the respective bulletin boards of Municipal Trial Court in Cities, Trece Martires Martires City, Municipal Trial Court in Cities, City of General Trias, Cavite and Municipal Trial Court, Tanza Cavite.

SO ORDERED.

Trece Martires City, 26 January, 2021.

FLORDELYZ CABANLIT FARGAS
Executive Judge