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**CONFIRMATION OF THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN
THE COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION (CHED) AND THE
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MINDANAO (USM)
ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
“PROGRAMANG PUNLA SA MEDISINA (CYCLE 3)”
at USM**

**Resolution No. 90
Series of 2023**

WHEREAS, the Commission on Higher Education (CHED), pursuant to RA 7722 (The Higher Education Act of 1994 or “*Doktor Para Sa Bayan Act*”) and RA 11223 or the Universal Health Care Act, establishes engagements to standardize and upgrade basic medical education to produce an adequate number of excellent physicians to provide quality health care services to the Filipinos;

WHEREAS, pursuant to the provisions of CMO No. 15, series of 2021, Guidelines for the Support and Development of Medical Schools – Seed Fund for Medicine (*Programang Punla sa Medisina*);

WHEREAS, the project aims to support the offering of quality medical education programs among higher education institutions, particularly state universities and colleges, by extending financial assistance that will be utilized for upgrading of learning and teaching resources, support for students, capacity building activities for faculty, administrators and staff; and the conduct of research and extension;

WHEREAS, CHED approved a project proposal submitted by the University of Southern Mindanao (USM) entitled, “**USM College of Medicine Development Project**,” with a total budget of **Php40,000,000.00** to be funded through the General Appropriations Act (GAA) of Fiscal Year 2023;

WHEREAS, the provisions for the implementation of the project are embodied in a Memorandum of Agreement drawn up between CHED and USM;

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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN
MINDANAO THROUGH QUALITY AND RELEVANT EDUCATION.”**



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CONFIRMATION OF MEMORANDA OF AGREEMENT/UNDERSTANDING

Memoranda of Understanding (MOU)

	PARTICULARS
Resolution No. 90-A, series of 2023	With the Muséum National D'Histoire Naturelle (National Museum of Natural History) – to develop academic, educational, and scientific cooperation and promote mutual understanding between the two institutions. The development and implementation of specific activities based on this MOU shall be separately negotiated and agreed upon.

Memoranda of Understanding (MOA - 4)

	PARTICULARS
Resolution No. 90-B, series of 2023	With the Muséum National D'Histoire Naturelle (National Museum of Natural History) – to cooperate in the implementation of a scientific project entitled, <i>“Biodiversity inventory and assessment of Mount Tapulao, Luzon, Philippines,”</i> and to achieve cooperation to achieve the following objectives: a) To generate up-to-date biodiversity profiling of Mt. Tapulao, to include vegetation quality assessment, floristic diversity, terrestrial vertebrates’ diversity, and arthropod diversity and, b) to conduct mapping that will reflect forest cover and quality, areas of high biodiversity and occurrence of threatened species, and areas of high utilization and disturbance. The Agreement shall take effect upon approval by both parties and shall remain in effect for an initial period of five (5) years after a review process between two parties.
Resolution No. 90-C, series of 2023	With the DOST-Philippine Textile Research Institute (PTRI) and Sultan Kudarat State University , in the establishment of a Regional Yarn Production and Innovation Center (RYPIC) in Region XII (SOCCSKARGEN) and the spinning facility and technologies of the PTRI. The Agreement shall take effect from September 13, 2023 to September 30, 2024 and may be renewed annually unless terminated or replaced with a new agreement.

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<p>Resolution No. 90-D, series of 2023</p>	<p>With the Philippine Cacao Industry Association, Inc. (PCIA), a private sector counterpart of the Philippine Cacao Industry Council (PCIC), in the promotion of the cacao industry. PCIA intends to collaborate for the establishment of USM as a Cacao Center for Excellence for the implementation of the Cacao Science Agenda by putting up a Cacao Model Farm within the property of the University. USM is a Niche Center in the Region (NICER) for Cacao R&D</p> <p>The Agreement shall be in force for a period of five (5) years, with the option for renewal.</p>
<p>Resolution No. 90-E, series of 2023</p>	<p>With FABRECORP Industries Incorporated, for collaboration for a project with the objective of developing site-specific nutrient and land management and the development of an internal quality control system (IQCS) manual for sustainable production of different crops, particularly Supergrow7 (SG7), a corn variety, to be used in the research.</p> <p>The duration of the project shall be four (4) months – one cropping season of corn. The Agreement shall take effect immediately upon signing and shall remain in force unless otherwise revoked or amended by the parties.</p>
<p>Resolution No. 90-F, series of 2023</p>	<p>Confirmation of a Memorandum of Agreement between USM and the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) for the research project, <i>“Atmospheric Environment and Water Use Vulnerability Assessment (AEWUVA) in Selected Areas of Region XII</i></p>

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CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:


JENNIFER E. SINCO
 Board Secretary V

ATTESTED BY:


FRANCISCO GIL N. GARCIA, PhD
 Vice-Chair, USM Board of Regents
 SUC President IV

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