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Undersecretary RYAN ALVIN R. ACOSTA
Deputy Executive Secretary for Legal Affairs
Office of the President
Malacanang, Manila

Dear Undersecretary Acosta,

The Department of Social Welfare and Development supports the enactment into law of the consolidated enrolled bill, SBN 1896 and HBN 5784, entitled: "An Act Instituting Universal Health Care For All Filipinos, Prescribing Reforms in the Health Care System, and Appropriating Funds Therefor."

The bill, once enacted into law, will expedite the attainment of universal health care by providing coverage to all Filipinos. It will improve the current benefit packages offered by PhilHealth by increasing the amount of benefits to lessen the out-of-pocket expenses on the part of its members.

Very truly yours,


ROLANDO JOSELITO D. BAUTISTA
Secretary