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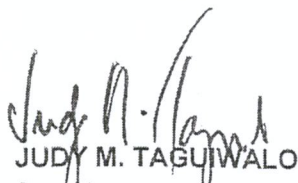
Dear Chairperson Nograles:

The Department of Social Welfare and Development **strongly supports the Substitute Bill to House Bill No. 438** entitled: "*An Act Establishing a Comprehensive System for Registration and Licensing of Social Welfare and Development Agencies and Accreditation of Social Welfare and Development Programs Services, and Appropriating Funds Therefor*" or the "**Social Welfare and Development Agencies (SWDAs) Act,**" introduced by Representatives Anthony M. Bravo and Sabiniano S. Canama, which seeks to strengthen DSWD's regulatory functions, set standards, provide benefits and incentives, and monitor the public and private individuals, agencies and organizations engaged in social welfare and development activities.

The immediate enactment of this bill into law will enhance the government's partnership with Non-Government Organizations (NGOs) and People's Organizations (POs) in providing quality social protection programs and services to poor, vulnerable, and disadvantaged sectors in the country.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,


JUDY M. TAGUIWALO
Secretary