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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

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FROM : **OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR**

SUBJECT : **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL AND ENDORSEMENT OF THE
PHILIPPINE NATIONAL STANDARD (PNS) ON FISH AND
FISHERY PRODUCTS - TILAPIA -LIVE, FRESH CHILLED AND
FRESH FROZEN**

DATE : **JUNE 24, 2020**

The DA-Bureau of Agriculture and Fisheries Standards (BAFS) has revised the Philippine National Standards (PNS) for Frozen tilapia (PNS/BAFS 67:2008). The revised draft standard provides the inclusion of other commercial forms of tilapia available in the market such as live, fresh chilled and fresh frozen whole gutted and fillet tilapia. The revision of the standard also updates the quality and food safety requirements of tilapia in accordance with the current practices of the industry.

The said standard was reviewed through a series of meetings, field data gatherings and presented to a public consultation conducted in NCR and Pampanga with attendance from various stakeholders of the government, private sector, academe, and NGO.

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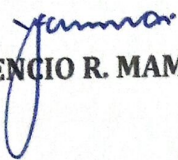
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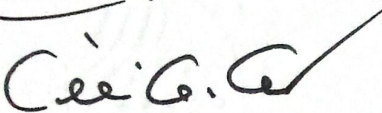


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For your perusal, Sir.


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APPROVED/DISAPPROVED:

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