REDDUCING THE NUMBER OF EXAMINATIONS DAYS OF THE CHEMISTS LICENSURE EXAMINATION FROM THREE (3) DAYS TO TWO (2) DAYS

WHEREAS, Section 7 (d) of Republic Act (RA) No. 8981 or the PRC Modernization Act of 2000 confers upon the Professional Regulation Commission (Commission) the power and function to administer and conduct the licensure examinations of the various regulatory boards in accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated by the Commission; determine and fix the places and dates of examinations;

WHEREAS, RA No. 10657 or the Chemistry Profession Act provides that one of the powers and duties of the Professional Regulatory Board of Chemistry (Board) is to prescribe the subjects in the licensure examination, determine the syllabi of the subjects and their relative weights, construct the test questions in the examinations and submit the examination results to the Commission;

WHEREAS, RA No. 10657 increased the number of examination subjects by adding Biochemistry in the coverage of the Chemists Licensure Examination;

WHEREAS, there is a need to make adjustments in the time allotment for each examination subject, in view of the change in the coverage of the Chemists Licensure Examinations.

WHEREAS, the changes sought to be introduced in the time allotment per examination subject should be based on the relative weight assigned to each subject, that is, the higher the relative weight assigned, the longer the time allotment should be;

WHEREAS, the schedule of the 2018 Chemists Licensure Examination is on October 09-11, while the Chemical Technicians Licensure Examination is on October 11;

WHEREAS, it would be physically impossible for those who are admitted in the Chemists and Chemical Technicians Licensure Examinations to take the two (2) examinations if the schedules of both will coincide on October 11, 2018;

WHEREAS, the Board consulted the stakeholders on the proposed reduction of the number of examination days for the 2018 Chemists Licensure Examination;

NOW THEREFORE, the Professional Regulatory Board of Chemistry (Board) hereby RESOLVES to reduce the number of examination days of the Chemists Licensure Examination from three (3) to two (2) days, with the following time allotment assigned for each subject:

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RESOLVED FURTHER, that the changes herein proposed shall take effect beginning the October 2018 Chemists Licensure Examination and its succeeding schedules.

RESOLVED FURTHERMORE, that the Secretariat to the Professional Regulatory Boards be directed to prepare the program for the October 2018 Chemists Licensure Examination to reflect the changes prescribed in this Resolution.

Let copies of this Resolution be posted in the PRC official website and further furnished all schools, colleges and universities offering BS in Chemistry for information and guidance.

Done the City of Manila this 11th day of May, 2018.

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