



## PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY BOARD OF SPEECH - LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY

Resolution No. <u>02</u> Series of 2022

## RECOGNITION OF THE PHILIPPINE ASSOCIATION OF SPEECH PATHOLOGISTS AS INTERIM ACCREDITED INTEGRATED PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATION OF SPEECH-LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY PROFESSIONALS

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act (R.A.) No. 11249, otherwise known as the "Speech Language Pathology Act", was signed into law on 22 March 2019 to regulate the Speech - Language Pathology profession in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, Section 32, Article IV of R.A. No. 11249 states, to wit:

"Section 32. Integration of All Speech Language Pathologists. – The speech language pathology profession shall be integrated into one (1) national professional organization of speech language pathologists which shall be duly registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Board, subject to the approval by the Commission, shall accredit the said organization as the one and only AIPO of speech language pathologists. All speech language pathologists whose names appear in the Registry Book of speech language pathologists shall *ipso facto* or automatically become members thereof and shall receive all the benefits and privileges appurtenant thereto upon payment of the AIPO membership fees and dues.

Membership in the AIPO shall not bar membership in other organizations of speech language pathologists."

**WHEREAS,** Section 25, Rule 8 of Commission Resolution No. 1089 (s. 2018)<sup>1</sup> states that the Professional Regulation Commission (Commission) shall have the power to appoint an interim Accredited Integrated Professional Organization (AIPO), should circumstances so warrant;

**WHEREAS**, there is an urgent need for the appointment of an AIPO for the Speech - Language Pathology profession in view of the AIPO's involvement in many official activities of the Commission and the Professional Regulatory Board of Speech Language Pathology (Board), including but not limited to the implementation of the registration without examination, membership in the Continuing Professional Development Council, consultation for proposed Board issuances such as the Implementing Rules and Regulations of R.A. No. 11249, Code of Ethics, and many others;

**WHEREAS,** the Philippine Association of Speech Pathologists (PASP) is the one and only major organization of speech – language pathologists, having been legally organized and incorporated with the Securities and Exchange Commission since 2014. The PASP was also instrumental in the passage of R.A. No. 11249;

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Revised Rules on the Accreditation of Professional Organizations and Integrated Professional Organizations

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**WHEREAS,** in the interest of time and exigency of service, the PASP, in its 12 February 2022 letter to the Board and the Commission, signified its intent to apply as interim AIPO for the Speech - Language Pathology profession, pending completion of its AIPO accreditation requirements under Commission Resolution No. 1089 (s. 2018).

**NOW THEREFORE**, in view of the foregoing and pursuant to Section 25, Rule 8 of Commission Resolution No. 1089 (s. 2018), the Board of Speech - Language Pathology hereby **RESOLVES**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to recommend the Philippine Association of Speech Pathologists (PASP) as interim Accredited Integrated Professional Organization (AIPO) of the Speech - Language Pathology professionals for the consideration and approval of the Commission. As interim AIPO, the PASP shall have the same rights, privileges, duties, and responsibilities appurtenant to being an AIPO.

Upon approval, this Resolution shall be published in the Official Gazette or in any newspaper of general circulation at the expense of PASP. The accreditation herein granted shall take effect immediately upon publication and shall be valid one (1) year thereafter unless sooner revoked or extended by the Board and the Commission.

Let a copy of this Resolution be furnished the PASP for its information, guidance, and dissemination to all Speech-Language Pathology professionals.

Done this <u>4</u><sup>th</sup> day of <u>May, 2022</u> in the City of Manila.

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