

## Republic of the Philippines COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS MANILA



AMENDING **CERTAIN PROVISIONS** OF RESOLUTION NO. 10080 DATED 14 MARCH 2014 ON **RULES AND REGULATIONS** ON PILOT **INDIGENOUS PEOPLES** VOTING IN **SELECTED** VOTING CENTERS IN OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL MINDORO IN CONNECTION WITH THE MAY 9, 2016 NATIONAL **ELECTIONS** AND LOCAL AND **SUBSEQUENT ELECTIONS THEREAFTER** 

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Promulgated: April 29, 2016

## RESOLUTION NO. $\frac{10106}{1}$

WHEREAS, the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) has promulgated on 14 March 2014 Resolution No. 10080 or the "Rules And Regulations on Pilot Indigenous Peoples Voting in Selected Voting Centers in Occidental and Oriental Mindoro in Connection with the May 9, 2016 National and Local Elections and Subsequent Elections Thereafter";

WHEREAS, the Supreme Court through its ruling in Bagumbayan-VNP Movement, Inc., et al. vs. Commission on Elections (G.R. No. 222731) dated 8 March 2016, ordered the COMELEC to issue vote receipts as a verification mechanism for the voter in the 9 May 2016 National and Local Elections;

NOW THEREFORE, pursuant to its authority under Constitution, the Omnibus Election Code and other election laws, the COMELEC HEREBY RESOLVES to promulgate the following amendments to the Rules and Regulations.

SECTION 1. The first paragraph of Rule 5 Section 2 of Resolution No. 10080 is hereby amended to read as follows:

> SECTION 2. Voting Hours. For the SPP, the casting of votes shall be from <u>6 a.m. to 3 p.m.</u> For the designated polling place in

the AVC, the casting of votes shall be from <u>6 a.m. to 2 p.m.</u> The earlier closing of voting hours in the SPP and AVC is to give sufficient time for the SBEI Support Staff to bring the ballots from the SPP or designated polling place in the AVC to the regular polling place before the close of voting hours therein on Election Day.

**SECTION 2.** Rule 5 Section 16 of Resolution No. 10080 is hereby amended to read as follows:

SECTION 16. Counting of the Qualified IP Voters' Ballots - The SBEI Support Staff shall ensure that all the ballots of qualified IP voters shall reach the regular polling place before the close of voting hours on election day.

When the SBEI Support Staff reaches the regular polling place, the Chairperson of the BEI shall announce, loudly enough to be heard throughout the polling place, the receipt of the ballots of the qualified IP voters which were accomplished in the SPP or in the designated polling place in the AVC. The BEI shall enter in the Minutes the receipt of the sealed envelope/s.

When all the voters in the clustered precincts have finished voting, the Chairperson of the BEI will announce that the envelopes containing the ballots of the qualified IP voters accomplished in the SPP or in the designated polling place in the AVC will be opened for scanning in the VCM. Thereafter, the Chairman of the BEI, in the presence of the other members and watchers shall feed the qualified IP voters' ballots to the VCM. The third member/support staff shall, after the feeding of <u>each ballot by the Chairperson of the BEI, fold the receipt</u> printed by the VCM in such a way that its contents cannot be seen and cut the end of the receipt using the nonpointed scissors. Thereafter, the receipt shall be dropped in the Voter's Receipt Receptacle. Half of the torn unused ballots shall be inserted in the envelope (CEF No. A15) for submission to the Election Officers and the other half of the torn unused ballots inside the other envelope (CEF No. A15) which will be deposited inside the ballot box. The foregoing shall be entered in the Minutes.

**SECTION 3. Effectivity.** This Resolution shall take effect immediately after its publication in two (2) daily newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.

**SECTION 4. Publication and Dissemination** Let the Education and Information Department (EID), this Commission, cause the publication of this Resolution in two (2) daily newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines and furnish copies thereof to the Regional Election Director of Region IV, Provincial Election Supervisors and concerned EOs of Occidental and Oriental Mindoro, AFP and PNP of Region IV, DILG, CHR, and NCIP.

SO ORDERED.

J. ANDRES D. BAUTISTA

Chairman

**CHRISTIAN ROBERT S. LIM** 

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