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IN THE MATTER OF SETTING
THE LAST DAY FOR THE FILING
OF THE FOLLOWING: (1)
MANIFESTATION OF INTENT TO
PARTICIPATE; (2) NAMES OF
NOMINEES; (3)
DISQUALIFICATION CASES
AGAINST NOMINEES UNDER
THE PARTY-LIST SYSTEM OF
REPRESENTATION; (4)
PETITIONS FOR REGISTRATION
OF COALITIONS, AND
REQUIRING PUBLICATION OF
SUBSTITUTE-NOMINEES IN
CONNECTION WITH THE MAY
2025 NATIONAL AND LOCAL
ELECTIONS.

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RESOLUTION NO. 10954

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7941 entitled "*An Act Providing for the Election of Party-List Representatives Through the Party-List System, And Appropriating Funds Therefor*" provides that any party, organization or coalition may file a petition for registration and manifestation to participate under the party-list system with the Commission on Elections not later than ninety (90) days before the elections;

WHEREAS, Section 29 of Republic Act No. 6646 entitled "*An Act Introducing Additional Reforms in the Electoral System and for other Purposes*" and Section 28 of Republic Act No. 8436 entitled "*An Act Authorizing the Commission on Elections to Use an Automated Election System in the May 11, 1998 National and Local Elections and in the Subsequent National and Local Electoral Exercises, Providing Funds Therefor and for other Purposes*" similarly provide:

"Designation of Other Dates for Certain Pre-election Acts. - If it should no longer be reasonably possible to observe the periods and dates prescribed by law for certain pre-election acts, the Commission shall fix other periods and dates in order to ensure accomplishment of the activities so voters shall not be deprived of their right to suffrage."

WHEREAS, pursuant to COMELEC Resolution No. 9366¹ the filing of Petitions for Registration shall be filed not later than the last working day of March of the year immediately preceding the next regular national and local elections during regular working hours;

WHEREAS, the Commission issued Minute Resolution No. 22-1072, resetting the deadline of the filing of Petitions for Registration of Political Parties and Party-Lists on **29 December 2023**;

WHEREAS, COMELEC Resolution No. 9366 allows the withdrawal of nomination before the close of polls and its consequent substitution;

WHEREAS, to safeguard the right of voters to be fully apprised of the party-list organizations and their respective nominees in case of substitution by reason of withdrawal, the Commission deems it necessary to require publication of new lists of nominees within five (5) days from the submission of the same to the Commission, such publication however shall not be construed as approval by the Commission;

WHEREAS, the Education and Information Department is directed under COMELEC Resolution No. 9366 to cause the immediate publication of the Commission approved list of nominees in two (2) national newspapers of general circulation;

NOW THEREFORE, the Commission **RESOLVED**, as it hereby **RESOLVES**, to **APPROVE** the new deadlines for party-list matters and **REQUIRE** party-list groups, organizations, and coalitions to publish, at their own expense, their new list of substitute-nominees, within five (5) days from

¹ Rules and Regulation Governing the: 1) Filing of Petitions for Registration; 2) Filing of Manifestation of Intent to Participate; 3) Submission of Names of Nominees; and 4) Filing of Disqualification Cases Against Nominees of Party-list Groups or Organizations Participating under the Party-list System of Representation in the May 13, 2013 National and Local Elections, and Subsequent Elections Thereafter.

the submission of their new list of nominees for purposes of the **May 2025 National and Local Elections**, as follows:

Section 1. Deadlines. – The new deadlines are hereby set –

ACTIVITY	NEW DEADLINES
Filing of Manifestation of Intent to Participate of REGISTERED AND EXISTING Party-List Groups or Organizations, Political Parties, or Coalitions	December 29, 2023
Filing of Petitions for Registration of COALITIONS of Political Parties	January 31, 2024
Filing of OPPOSITIONS to Petitions for Registration of Coalitions	Not later than the date when the case is submitted for resolution.
Submission of List of NOMINEES of REGISTERING Parties	Within the period designated by the Commission for filing of Certificates of Candidacy
Submission of List of NOMINEES of REGISTERED AND EXISTING Parties	Within the period designated by the Commission for filing of Certificates of Candidacy
Filing of Petition to DENY DUE COURSE to a MANIFESTATION OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE of Registered/ Registering Party-List Groups, Organizations and Coalition	Within ten (10) days from the date of publication of the Manifestation of Intent to Participate
Filing of Petition to DENY DUE COURSE AND/OR CANCELLATION of NOMINATION of Party-List Nominees	Within ten (10) days from the date of publication of the list of nominees by the EID, or in case of subsequent publication by reason of substitution, within ten (10) days from the submission of proof of publication by the party-list

	groups, organizations, or coalitions of its new and complete list of nominees, with respect to the substitute nominees.
Filing of Petition for DISQUALIFICATION of Party-List NOMINEES	Any day not later than the date of proclamation
SUBSTITUTION of Party-list Nominees by Reason of WITHDRAWAL	Within the date to be further designated by the Honorable Commission
Publication of the APPROVED LIST OF NOMINEES by the EID	Within fifteen (15) days from the date designated as the deadline for the substitution of party-list nominees by reason of withdrawal
SUBSTITUTION of Party-list Nominees by Reason of DEATH OR INCAPACITY	Up to mid-day of Election Day
Publication by the Party-List Organization of their NEW LIST OF NOMINEES (By Reason of WITHDRAWAL on or before the date to be further designated by the Honorable Commission)	Within five (5) days FROM the filing of the new list of substitute nominees, their certificates of nomination and acceptance, and affidavit with the Law Department
Publication by the Party-List Organization of their NEW LIST OF NOMINEES (By Reason of DEATH OR INCAPACITY AND in case of EXHAUSTION OF THE LIST) In this case, the party, organization, or coalition concerned may submit a new list only when the original list is exhausted.	Within five (5) days from the filing of the list of its substitute nominees, their certificates of nomination and acceptance, and affidavit with the Law Department

Section 2. *Deadline for Filing of Manifestation of Intent to Participate.* – Section 3, Rule 3 of Resolution No 9366 is hereby amended and the Manifestation of Intent to Participate in the party-list elections for the May 2025 National and Local Elections (NLE) may be filed until **December 29, 2023 only**, provided that the manifestation of intent to participate shall be submitted in the form attached herein as **ANNEX A**. All submissions must comply with guidelines set forth under COMELEC Resolution No. 10673.²

Section 3. *Submission of List of Nominees.* -- Section 7, Rule 1 paragraph (d) of COMELEC Resolution No. 9366 is hereby amended by deleting “*xxx and list of at least five (5) nominees.*” and adding a new provision to read as follows:

“(d) Manifestation of intent to participate in the next immediately succeeding national and local elections.

An existing or registering party shall file a complete list of at least five (5) nominees and their corresponding certificates of nomination and acceptance with the Law Department of the Commission within the same period designated for the filing of Certificates of Candidacy. Provided, that the secretary-general and the chairperson or president of the party shall execute and file with the Law Department, along with the list of nominees and certificates of nomination and acceptance, an affidavit attesting that the nominees possess all the qualifications and none of the disqualifications provided by law.”

Section 4. *Publication of the List of Nominees.* -- Section 9, Rule 1 paragraph (d) of COMELEC Resolution No. 9366 is hereby amended by deleting “*xxx b. List of nominees and certificate of nomination; xxx*” and adding a new provision as follows:

“The Education and Information Department (EID) of the Commission shall cause the publication of the lists of nominees of party-list organizations in two (2) national newspapers of general circulation within fifteen (15) days from the date of the deadline of

² In Re: Guidelines on Electronic Filing, Conduct of Hearings/Investigation/Inquiries Via Video Conference, and Service; promulgated on 25 June 2020.

the substitution of party-list nominees by reason of withdrawal, which date shall be further designated by the Honorable Commission. The same lists of nominees shall likewise be posted within the same period on the official website of the Commission.”

Section 5. *Petition to Deny Due Course to a Manifestation of Intent to Participate.* – Section 7, Rule 3 of Resolution No. 9366 is hereby amended by adding new provisions to be read as follows:

“Section 7. *Petition to Deny Due Course to a Manifestation of Intent to Participate.* A verified petition seeking to deny due course to a manifestation of intent to participate, **of both existing and registering party-list groups, organizations, or coalitions,** may be filed with the Office of the Clerk of the Commissions, Commission on Elections in Manila, by any interested parties within **ten (10) days** from the date of publication of the manifestation of intent to participate on any of the grounds mentioned in Section 2 of Rule 2.”

Section 6. *Withdrawal and Substitution Due to Withdrawal of Nomination.* – Section 4, Rule 4 of Resolution No. 9366 is hereby amended by adding new provisions to be read as follows:

“Section 4. *Withdrawal of nomination or acceptance of nomination.* **Withdrawal of nominations and substitution of nominees due to the withdrawal of the acceptance to the nomination shall be in writing and under oath, and filed with the Law Department not later than the date to be further designated by the Honorable Commission. Provided that NO substitution shall be VALID unless the party files with the Law Department a list of its substitute nominees, the certificates of nomination and acceptance of the substitute nominees, and an affidavit executed by the secretary-general and the chairperson or president of the party attesting that the substitute nominees possess all the qualifications and none of the disqualifications provided by law. The name of the substitute nominee shall be placed last in the list. The number of nominees in the new list shall be the same with the number of those previously submitted in the original list.**

Within five (5) days from the filing of the list of substitute nominees, the party shall cause the publication of its **NEW and COMPLETE** list of nominees in two (2) national newspapers of

general circulation. The party shall submit proof of publication of its new list of nominees with the Law Department within three (3) days from completion of the said publication. No substitution shall be valid without compliance with the requirements on publication and submission of proof thereof.

A nominee who withdraws his acceptance to the nomination shall not be eligible for re-nomination by the same party or nomination by other parties."

Section 7. Substitution Due to Death or Incapacity of the Substituted Nominees. - Section 5, Rule 4 of Resolution No. 9366 is hereby amended by deleting "*xxx or withdraws in writing his nomination, xxx*" and adding new provisions to be read as follows:

"Section 5. *Nomination of Party-List representatives.* A person may be nominated in one (1) list only. Only persons who have given their consent in writing may be named in the list. The list shall not include any candidate for any elective office or a person who has lost his bid for an elective office in the immediately preceding election. No change of names or alterations of the order of nominees shall be allowed after the same shall have been submitted to the COMELEC except in cases where the nominee dies, becomes incapacitated, **or there is valid withdrawal and substitution of nominees as provided in the preceding section**, in which case the name of the substitute nominee shall be placed last in the list.

NO substitution shall be VALID beyond the deadline provided in the preceding section unless the list of nominees originally submitted has been exhausted due to death and/or incapacity of the nominees. The party, within ten (10) days from the exhaustion of the original list, shall file with the Law Department a list of its substitute nominees, their certificates of nominations and acceptance, and an affidavit executed by the secretary-general and the chairperson or president of the party attesting that the substitute nominees possess all the qualifications and none of the disqualifications provided by law. Provided that substitutions due to the death and/or incapacity of the nominees under this paragraph shall be allowed only up to mid-day of election day.

The party shall cause the publication of its NEW and COMPLETE list of nominees in two (2) national newspapers of general circulation within five (5) days from the filing with the Law Department. The party shall submit proof of publication of its list

of substitute nominees with the law Department within three (3) days from completion of said publication. No substitution shall be valid without compliance with the requirements on publication and submission of proof thereof.

In all cases where a nominee dies or becomes incapacitated, the party shall file with the Law Department within ten (10) days from the fact thereof a notice and proof of such death or incapacity.

Section 8. *When to File Petitions.* -- Section 4, Rule 5 paragraph (a) of COMELEC Resolution No. 9366 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“x x x

(a) Petition to deny due course to or cancellation of nomination of party-list nominees shall be filed **within ten (10) days from the date of publication of the list of nominees by the EID, or in case of subsequent publication by reason of substitution, within ten (10) days from the submission of proof of publication by the party-list groups, organizations, or coalitions of its new and complete list of nominees, with respect to the substitute nominees; and**

x x x”

Section 9. *Motu Proprio Cases.* - Section 6, Rule 5 of COMELEC Resolution No. 9366 is hereby amended to read as follows:

“**SEC. 6. *Motu proprio cases.*** The Commission, at any time before proclamation **and with due notice and opportunity to be heard, may *motu proprio* disqualify or cancel the certificate of nomination and acceptance of any nominee who is disqualified, ineligible or lacks the qualification provided by law, or whose nomination is contrary to law and the rules.**

Upon receipt of the list of nominees, the Law Department shall, **within fifteen (15) days** from the last day of filing of the list of nominees, forward to the Commission *en banc* through the Office of the Commission Secretary, the list of nominees for purposes of publication.

Thereafter, the Law Department shall, within the soonest time possible, submit its study and recommendation to the Commission *en*

banc through the Office of the Commission Secretary whether or not the nominee must be disqualified or his or her certificate of nomination and acceptance must be cancelled and denied due course. Provided that any member of the Commission *en banc* may endorse for study and recommendation to the Law Department any nominee or list of nominees to determine such nominees' qualifications, disqualifications, or compliance with the requirements under existing laws and the rules.

The Commission Secretary shall, upon receipt thereof, immediately calendar for deliberation the list of nominees together with the study and recommendation of the Law Department with notice to all members of the Commission.

Within five (5) days from the date of the deliberation, the Commission shall resolve all matters relative to the list of nominees submitted to it.

The Resolution disqualifying the nomination of party-list nominees shall be published in two (2) newspapers of general circulation."

Section 10. Finality. -- All resolutions on the cases relevant herein is deemed final and executory within five (5) days from receipt of the concerned parties thereof, if no restraining order is issued by the Supreme Court in cases resolved by the Commission *En Banc*, or if no motion for reconsideration is filed within the same period in cases resolved by the Commission Division.

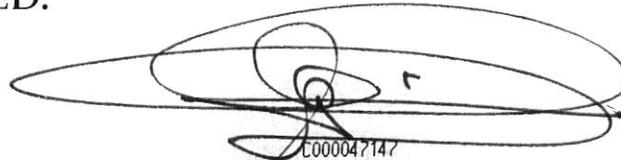
Section 11. Applicability and Amendment Clause. -- All rules and regulations inconsistent with the provisions of this Resolution are hereby amended accordingly. This resolution shall be applicable on ALL PENDING Manifestation of Intent to Participate of party-list groups, organizations, political parties, and coalitions or those TO BE FILED for the 2025 National and Local Elections. Likewise, all submissions relevant hereto must comply with guidelines set forth under COMELEC Resolution No. 10673.³

³ In Re: Guidelines on Electronic Filing, Conduct of Hearings/Investigation/Inquiries Via Video Conference, and Service; promulgated on 25 June 2020.

Section 12. Effectivity. -- This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its publication. The Education and Information Department (EID) is hereby directed to cause the publication of this Resolution in two (2) daily newspapers of general publication in the Philippines. The Information and Technology Department is likewise directed to publish the same in the official COMELEC website (www.comelec.gov.ph).

Let the Clerk of the Commission implement this Resolution.

SO ORDERED.



GEORGE ERWIN M. GARCIA
Chairman



SOCORRO B. INTING
Commissioner



MARLON S. CASQUEJO
Commissioner



AIMEE E. FEROLINO
Commissioner



REY E. BULAY
Commissioner



ERNESTO FERDINAND P. MACEDA, JR.
Commissioner



NELSON J. CELIS
Commissioner

CERTIFICATION

APPROVED by the Commission (*En Banc*) on **11 October 2023** during its Regular *En Banc* Meeting.



DIR. FRITZIE CLAIRE C. CAIGOY
Acting COMELEC Secretary

6. CURRENT OFFICERS: (Use additional sheets if necessary)

	NAME	POSITION		NAME	POSITION
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02			12		
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7. HEADQUARTER DETAILS:

7.1 Principal Headquarters Address:

7.2 Branch Address/es, if any: (Use additional sheets if necessary)

8. CONTACT DETAILS:

8.1 Postal Address:

8.2 E-mail Address:

8.3 Contact Number:

9. CONSTITUENCY/IES:

9.1 Geographical Coverage:

National Regional

9.2 Sector, if applicable:

10. PERIOD OF EXISTENCE:

10.1 From time of registration (for registered party-list)/ From time of filing of petition (party-list with pending registration):

(Number of Months)

(Number of Years)

10.2 Ceased to exist from a period of one (1) year from time of Registration:

(YES)

(NO)

(N/A)

11. PARTICIPATION:

111 All election years participated: _____

112 It failed to participate in the last two (2) preceding elections;

(YES)

(NO)

(N/A)

113 It failed to obtain at least two per centum (2%) of the votes cast in the two (2) preceding elections for the constituency in which it has registered. However, this shall not apply if a party, although receiving less than two per centum (2%) of votes under the party-list system in the May 2007 National Elections, was allocated a seat during said election pursuant to the Decision of the Supreme Court in the case of Barangay Association for National Advancement and Transparency (BANAT) vs. Commission on Elections, G.R. No. 179295, as well as, the Resolutions of the Commission implementing the said Decision.

(YES)

(NO)

(N/A)

I hereby certify that the facts stated herein are true and correct of my own personal knowledge.

President/ Chairman/ Secretary General

ATTESTATION

I, _____, the _____ of the _____, of legal age, and with postal address at _____ after having duly sworn to in accordance with law, hereby

depose and state that:

1. I am one of the officers of the _____ duly authorized to verify the foregoing *Manifestation*;
2. I have caused the foregoing *Manifestation* to be prepared and filed with the Commission on Elections; and
3. I have read and understood the contents thereof and acknowledge that the same are true and correct based on my personal knowledge.

President/ Chairman/ Secretary General

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my signature this _____, affiant exhibiting to me his/her CTC/Identification Card No. _____, issued by: _____ on: _____.

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