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TO : All Members

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FROM : The National President

SUBJECT : **COMELEC and PSME National Board Approval of Online Election in October 2017 for 2018 National Board of Directors**

Dear Fellow Members,

"We are the ones we've been waiting for, we are the change that we seek".
– Barack Obama

We would like to inform you that the election for the 2018 PSME National Board of Directors will be done via ONLINE ELECTION.

The Commission on Election (COMELEC), based on their mandate to promulgate "...such rules and regulations governing all conduct of the elections subject to the approval of the Board and decide on any and all protest pertinent to such election, and whose decision in such matters shall be final,..." unanimously approved a resolution to use ONLINE ELECTION in the conduct of the October 2017 Election for the 2018 PSME National Board of Directors.

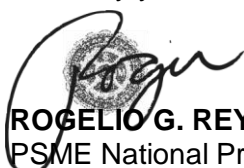
In the 3rd National Special Board Meeting held on August 28, 2017 at the Philippine Columbian Association to discuss the COMELEC resolution, the PSME National Board, recognizing that the COMELEC has broad authority given by the PSME Constitution and Bylaws that no applicable PSME rule prohibits the COMELEC from conducting an online election, and with the assurance from COMELEC of a fraud-free and reliable system, APPROVED the conduct of the October 2017 Election adopting the ONLINE ELECTION using SimplyVoting.com's platform.

These two decisions of the COMELEC and of the PSME National Board will ensure that the true will of the members will be reflected in the result of the election.

PSME will also be able to save approximately PhP700,000 as a result of this change. There won't be any additional payment from the USA-based online election system provider, SimplyVoting.com, as the current contract with them is for unlimited number of elections per year.

Your vote is your voice. We enjoy all of you to actively participate in this Big Change for Long-Term Peace in PSME.

Sincerely yours,


ROGELIO G. REYES
PSME National President