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DEPARTMENT ORDER)

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SUBJECT: ESTABLISHMENT OF DPWH PRESIDENT'S BRIDGE PROGRAM (PBP) OFFICE AND **DESIGNATION OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY** SALVADOR A. PLEYTO AS PROGRAM **DIRECTOR**

Pursuant to Memorandum Order No. 53, dated 18 February 2002, Office the President, the oversight functions previously assigned to the Executive Secretary in connection with the President's Bridge Program (PBP) are transferred to the DPWH Secretary who shall oversee and monitor the effective and efficient implementation of the project. including the Salam "Peace" Bridge Project, the Tulay ng Pangulo sa Barangay Project, and the Tulay ng Pangulo sa SZOPAD Project. In accordance with the special Memorandum Order too, a President's Bridge Program Office (PBPO) is hereby established in the DPWH as a special program management unit to assist the DPWH Secretary in his functions pursuant to the Order.

The PBP Office shall have the following functions enumerated in the said Order:

- a) Plan, implement and oversee the operational details and administrative arrangements necessary for the effective and efficient implementation of the Program consistent with the principles of transparency and accountability;
- b) Conduct a comprehensive review of all existing loan agreements and submit its recommendations to the DPWH Secretary with the end in view of maximizing the utilization of the ODA funds;
- c.) Prepare monthly accomplishment reports to the DPWH Secretary on the status of the projects under the PBP;
- d) Obtain support and assistance from the appropriate departments, bureaus, government-owned and controlled corporations, local government units, regional development councils, private organizations and individuals for the attainment of Program objectives.

In this regard, Assistant Secretary Salvador A. Pleyto is hereby designated as Program Director of the said PBPO.

Secretary