BASIC : RESOLUTION NO. 25 S2009, DATED MARCH 02, 2009 OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF COMPOSTELA (CEBU)

2nd Indorsement March 17, 2009

Respectfully returned to the Sangguniang Bayan of Compostela (Attention: Ms. Helga N. Canen, Secretary to the Sanggunian) the herein Resolution No. 25 S2009 dated March 02, 2009.

Please be advise that the Department of the Interior and Local Government nor Secretary Ronaldo V. Puno does not have the authority to nullify ordinances, resolutions, executives orders, issuances and other officials actions of local government bodies, offices and officials enacted, passed or issued in the performance of their functions. Under the law, the mandate of DILG is to assist the President in the exercise of her supervisory authority over local government units. As provided in the Constitution, the President exercises general supervision over local government units. It means that the President has the power to see to it that the affairs of local government units are administered according to law. Supervision is different from control which is not the power given to the President under the Constitution and the Local Government Code. Supervision does not carry with it the power to alter or modify or nullify or set aside what a subordinate had done in the performance of his duties nor does it include the power to substitute the judgement of the supervisor over that of the subordinate or the party being supervised.

Moreover, official acts of government officials in the course of performing their functions are accorded with the presumption of regularity which only the courts can declare otherwise.

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