

MAP Statement of Gratitude for Secretary MARIA ANTONIA YULO-LOYZAGA

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We, in the Management Association of the Philippines (MAP), would like to thank Sec. MARIA ANTONIA "Toni" YULO-LOYZAGA for her invaluable service to the Republic of the Philippines as Secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), and for her unwavering commitment to integrating scientific research, inter-agency collaboration, and international partnerships to address our country's environmental challenges.

We thank Sec. Loyzaga for doing a very good job in pursuing the DENR mandate of protecting, conserving, and managing our environment and natural resources for the present and future generations; and for spearheading many significant initiatives, like governance and accountability in permit processes, and private sector involvement in reforestation.

We also express our deep appreciation to Sec. Loyzaga for the July 12, 2024 MOU between MAP and DENR with the core spirit of partnership with the private sector to promote DENR's Top Ten Environment Priorities, namely, (1) Clean Air, (2) Solid Waste Management, (3) Enhanced National Greening Program, (4) Manila Bay Cleanup, (5) Intensified Forest Protection and Anti-Illegal Logging, (6) Clean Water, (7) Geo-Hazards, Ground Water Assessment and Responsible Mining, (8) Enhanced Biodiversity Conservation, (9) Scaling Up Coastal and Marine Ecosystems, and (10) Improved Land Administration and Management.

We also thank Sec. Loyzaga for engaging MAP, through the March 21, 2025 MOU, in the "FORESTS FOR LIFE: 10 MILLION TREES BY 2028" Program which aims to rehabilitate degraded forests through multi-stakeholder collaboration.

We wish Sec. Loyzaga success in all her future undertakings.

We urge the DENR to actively pursue Sec. Loyzaga's vision of science-based governance, environmental protection and international collaboration.

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