

## CERTIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

I, **ALBERTO G. ROMULO**, Filipino, of legal age and a resident of No. 25 Malipajo, Valle Verde 3, Pasig City, Philippines, after having been duly sworn to in accordance with law do hereby declare, that:

1. I am nominee for Independent Director of Manila Bulletin Publishing Corporation and have been its independent director since July 14, 2011.

2. I am affiliated with the following companies or organizations:

<b>Company/Organization</b>	<b>Position/ Relationship</b>	<b>Period of Service</b>
Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP)	Chairman of the Board	February 15, 2017 to date
Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA)	Secretary	August 23, 2004 – February 2011

3. I possess all the qualifications and none of the disqualification to serve as an Independent Director of Manila Bulletin Publishing Corporation as provided for in Section 38 of the Securities and Regulation Code, its Implementing Rules and Regulations and other SEC issuances.

4. I am not related any director, officer or substantial shareholder of Manila Bulletin Publishing Corporation and its subsidiaries and affiliates other than the relationship provided under Rule 38.2.3 of the Securities Regulation Code.

5. To the best of my knowledge, I am not the subject of any pending criminal or administrative investigation or proceeding.

6. I have the required written permission or consent from the President of the Development Bank of the Philippines (DBP) to be an independent director in Manila Bulletin Publishing Corporation, pursuant to Office of the President Memorandum Circular No. 17 and Section 12, Rule XVIII of the Revised Civil Service Rules.

7. I shall faithfully and diligently comply with my duties and responsibilities as Independent Director under the Securities Regulation Code and its Implementing Rules and Regulations, Code of Corporate Governance and other SEC issuances.

8. I shall inform the Corporate Secretary of Manila Bulletin Publishing Corporation of any changes in the above-mentioned information within five (5) days from its occurrence.

Done this 08 JUN 2017, in the City of Manila, Philippines.

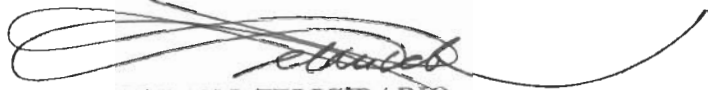


**ALBERTO G. ROMULO**  
Affiant

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)  
CITY OF MANILA )SS.

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 08 JUN 2017, in Manila, Philippines, affiant exhibiting to me his BIR ID with TIN: 113-426-495, as competent proof of identity.

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