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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 48
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**RECONSTITUTING THE SOUTH COTABATO INTEGRITY CIRCLE (SCIC) FOR THE ADMINISTRATIVE TERM
2025-2028**

WHEREAS, the Province of South Cotabato is among the nine (9) pilot LGUs in the Philippines chosen for the implementation of Project I4J (*Partnerships for Integrity and Job Creation – Local Governments and Civil Society Cooperate for Integrity and Transparent, Effective Small Business Registration and Promotion Procedures*), co-funded by the European Union and the German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development through Konrad Adenauer Stiftung (KAS) which aims to contribute in the reduction of poverty in the country through integrity and sustainable creation of jobs;

WHEREAS, through the creation of the South Cotabato Integrity Circle (SCIC), transparency and accountability will be institutionalized in governance with rules in place that pertain to full disclosure, freedom of information, public declaration of personal assets, and open invitation to public scrutiny as a better and doable alternative to combat systemic corruption;

WHEREAS, the purpose of the establishment of SCIC is to support the efforts of the LGU of South Cotabato on poverty reducing investment promotion through the implementation of “Integrity and Business Promotion Mechanisms”; and

WHEREAS, the SCIC is the formation of networks of friends- representatives of government, business and civil society organizations who are active in the community and chosen based on the following criteria: good reputation, professional competence, independence, strong belief in the necessity of integrity and good governance in the local administration, and willingness to fruitfully cooperate with the local administration.

NOW THEREFORE, I, REYNALDO S. TAMAYO, JR., by virtue of the powers vested in me by law as the Provincial Governor of South Cotabato, do hereby order the creation of the SCIC, with the following provisions:

Section 1. Composition. The members of the SCIC shall be institutions from the PLGU Integrity Circle, Business Sector Integrity Circle, and Civil Society Organizations (CSO’s) Integrity Circle. The SCIC shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson	:	Carlito Y. Uy, South Cotabato Business Association, Inc.
Vice- Chairperson	:	Alicia L. Manondog Coalition of Social Development Organizations in South Cotabato
Secretary	:	Office of the Provincial Planning and Development Coordinator

PLGU Integrity Circle

1. Office of the Provincial Information Officer
2. Office of the Provincial Planning and Development Coordinator
3. Office of the Provincial Budget Officer
4. Office of the Provincial Treasurer
5. Office of the Provincial Legal Officer
6. South Cotabato Economic Enterprise Management Office
7. South Cotabato Economic and Investment Promotion Center

Business Sector Integrity Circle

1. South Cotabato Chamber of Commerce and Industry Foundation, Inc.
2. South Cotabato Business Association, Inc.
3. Tibud sa Katibawasan Multi-purpose Cooperative
4. South Cotabato Credit Surety Fund Cooperative
5. Rizal 3 SN Farmers Multi-purpose Cooperative
6. Unified Engineering Workers Multi-Purpose Cooperative
7. Polomolok Multi-Purpose Cooperative

Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) Integrity Circle

1. Mahintana Foundation, Inc.
2. South Cotabato Foundation, Inc.
3. OND HESED Foundation
4. Coalition of Social Development Organizations in South Cotabato
5. Association of Vocational Education and Training Institutions in South Cotabato, Inc.
6. Executive Director, Maguindanaoan Development Foundation, Inc.
7. Social Action Center-Diocese of Marbel

Section 2. Authority to Designate Permanent Alternate. The regular members may designate his/her permanent alternate to attend all the scheduled activities of the SCIC.

Section 3. Functions. The SCIC shall perform the following functions:

1. To serve as the partner body in the integrity and good governance efforts of the local administration;
2. To serve as the Multi-stakeholder Forum for the Open Government Partnership (OGP)
3. To provide consultancy and advise to the LGU on the further development and effective implementation of the "Integrity and Business Promotion Mechanisms" drafted in the I4J project;
4. To review the Draft Integrity and Business and Investment Promotion Mechanisms designed by the LGU before a final version of these mechanisms are put into place;
5. To regularly monitor and evaluate the responsible and effective implementation of the approved "Integrity and Business Promotion Mechanisms" in the LGU;
6. To assist in making the mechanisms known to investors, media, and the broad public and to develop a sustainable culture of integrity in the Province of South Cotabato with inclusion of all sectors and stakeholders; and
7. To validate and confirm the results of the annual evaluation of the *Dangal ng South Cotabato*: Employee Integrity Award and Company Integrity Award.

Section 4. Technical Working Group. The TWG is composed of representatives from the SCEIPC, PPDO, PADMIN-HRDD/HRMD, PACCO, SP, PEMO, PGO, and PTO, who drafted the design for integrity mechanisms and models for transparent, efficient, and effective small business and investment promotion, adapted to the Province of South Cotabato. The technical staff of the Technical Working Group will be from the Provincial Planning and Development Office.

Section 5. Regular Meetings. The SCIC shall convene for its regular meetings quarterly. Special meetings may be conducted upon the request of 30% of its members in consideration of urgent and extraordinary concerns and issues that need to be tackled.

Section 6. Budgetary Requirements. The Funds for the operation and performance of the functions of the SCIC and other activities relative to its responsibilities shall be allocated from the Annual Budget of the Provincial Government of South Cotabato.

Section 7. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately and will continue until amended or revoked.

Done this 18th day of September 2025 in the City of Koronadal, Province of South Cotabato, Philippines.

REYNALDO S. TAMAYO, JR.
Provincial Governor