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Department of Agriculture
BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY
GaBAI sa Pag-unlad ng Paghahayupan

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MEMORANDUM ORDER

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TO : ALL CONCERNED

FROM : OFFICER-IN-CHARGE, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT : DECLARATION FOR THE PRESENCE OF AFRICAN SWINE FEVER (ASF) IN THE PHILIPPINES

WHEREAS, last 16 August 2019, the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) received an incident report on an increased mortality of swine among backyard raisers in Rodriguez, Rizal; some cases were observed to have high fever, lethargy, inappetence, hemorrhages in some parts of the body, nasal discharge, epistaxis, and eventual/sudden death among others;

WHEREAS, disease investigation and sample collection were conducted in identified areas in Rodriguez, Rizal by the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI), Department of Agriculture Regional Field Offices (DARFOs), Rizal Provincial Veterinary Office (PVO) and Rodriguez Local Government Unit (LGU);

WHEREAS, the presence of African Swine Fever (ASF) virus was confirmed by Real-Time Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR) at the BAI Animal Disease Diagnosis and Reference Laboratory (BAI-ADDRL);

WHEREAS, ASF is a notifiable and transboundary animal disease with serious economic impact;

NOW THEREFORE, I, RONNIE D. DOMINGO, Officer-In-Charge, Director, pursuant to Section 5 of Act No. 3639 (BAI Quarantine Powers); and Section 18, Chapter 4 of Title IV, Book IV of Executive Order 292 (Administrative Code of 1987); do hereby confirm the presence of African Swine Fever (ASF) in the Philippines. BAI employees are enjoined to support or implement emergency interventions to control and prevent further spread of the disease.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

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