

## EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES SINGAPORE

22 March 2016

Dear Kababayan,

From <u>09 April to 09 May 2016</u>, registered Filipino voters in Singapore will have the opportunity to elect one (1) President and Vice President, twelve (12) senators and one (1) party-list organization representatives with terms commencing on 30 June 2016.

The 2016 national elections is an important political exercise for all Filipinos, especially for those of us who work abroad and who have won the right to vote in absentia over 12 years ago.

Singapore is home to 83,741 registered voters, garnering the second highest number of overseas voters in the Asia-Pacific region. Singapore is among thirty Philippine Embassies and Consulates-General that will be adopting the Automated Election System, which is the voting system in the Philippines. There are a total of eight (8) precincts dedicated to overseas voting located in the premises of the Philippine Embassy, Singapore, located at **20 Nassim Road, SG 258395**.

Ideally, the number of voters should be evenly distributed during the 30-day voting period. However, we expect the number to increase as May 9 approaches. We therefore encourage you to vote early during the one-month period, especially during weekdays, in order to avoid the weekend congestion. The schedule of voting is as follows:

April 09, 2016: 8am to 5pm April 10 to May 09, 2016: 9am to 5pm

The Philippine Embassy can be reached by bus and train. If you are taking the bus, please alight from the bus stop in Tanglin Road (Aft. Tomlinson Road bus stop 09159), by train, you may get off at Orchard SMRT Station. From both points, you may walk your way on foot to Nassim Road. Should you need to permission from your employer to go the Philippine Embassy to vote on weekdays, please present this letter.

Similarly, you may also wish to vote via mail. We would therefore request you to first verify whether you are a registered voter through the certified voters lists available in our website (<a href="www.philippine-embassy.org.sg">www.philippine-embassy.org.sg</a>) and to send us an email via <a href="mailto:postalvoting.sgpe@gmail.com">postalvoting.sgpe@gmail.com</a> including your complete name, address and date of birth <a href="mailto:on-or-before-22 April 2016">on-or-before-22 April 2016</a>.

We encourage all our kababayans to exercise your right to vote!

Mabuhay!

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