## JUVENILE JUSTICE AND WELFARE COUNCIL

Department of Justice
DOJ Agencies Building, NIA Road, Diliman, Quezon City

## **COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 21**

Series of 2008
Guidelines for the Conduct of Diversion Proceeding for CICL at all Levels

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9344, otherwise known as the "Juvenile Justice and Welfare Act of 2006", prescribed the mode of Diversion as an alternative, child-appropriate process of determining the responsibility and treatment of a child in conflict with the law;

WHEREAS, the Rules and Regulations Implementing RA No. 9344 mandated the Juvenile Justice and Welfare Council to formulate and recommend policies and strategies as well as for the treatment and rehabilitation and reintegration of children in conflict with the law;

**WHEREAS,** the Department of Social Welfare and Development was tasked by the JJWC to draft the guidelines on diversion:

WHEREAS, the Guidelines on Diversion has been developed in order to provide stakeholders with operational directives and inter agency arrangements in conducting diversion proceedings and formulating diversion programs that will protect CICL from harm, abuse and other acts detrimental to their welfare:

**WHEREAS**, a copy of the Guidelines for the Conduct of Diversion Proceedings for CICL at all Levels was submitted to the Council members for comment and approval;

WHEREAS, the Council members, after going through the document and a series of thorough discussions, were unanimous in the approval thereof:

**NOW THEREFORE**, in view of the above premises, the Council resolves, and it is hereby resolved, to formally approve and adopt the Guidelines for the Conduct of Diversion Proceedings for CICL at all Levels.

**RESOLVED FURTHER,** that copies of the **Guidelines for the Conduct of Diversion Proceedings for CICL at all Levels** shall be
forwarded to concerned Local Government Units and agencies to serve as
their guidelines in the formulation and implementation of their own Diversion
Program.

Adopted and approved this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April 2008 at Tagaytay City, Philippines.

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