Republic of the Philippines DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT PHILIPPINE OVERSEAS EMPLOYMENT ADMINISTRATION Mandaluyong City

GOVERNING BOARD RESOLUTION NO. <u>03</u> Series of 2007

WHEREAS, Honorable Patricia A. Sto. Tomas served as the first Administrator of the Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA) on 1 May 1982, and later became the Chairperson of the POEA Governing Board when she was appointed Secretary of Labor and Employment on 21 February 2001;

WHEREAS, as the first administrator of the POEA, she managed to direct the path of the POEA with the merging of functions of the Bureau of Employment Services, National Seamen Board and the Overseas Employment Development Board;

WHEREAS, during her incumbency as the POEA Administrator, her commitment to the overseas employment program was manifested in the policy reforms she initiated towards the protection and enhancement of the interests and welfare of our Overseas Filipino Workers;

WHEREAS, thru her brilliant leadership, POEA was able to develop and institutionalize a system that has become the Model Migration Program in the international community, setting the standards and best practices in the management of overseas migration;

WHEREAS, in recognition of these invaluable contributions to the Philippine Overseas Migration Program, it is fitting that the newly renovated POEA auditorium, which will serve as venue for dialogues and consensus building aimed at strengthening relations among POEA community and stakeholders, be named after her,

NOW, THEREFORE, the POEA Governing Board, RESOLVES AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED to name the POEA Auditorium in honor of HON. PATRICIA A. STO. TOMAS.

Done in the City of Mandaluyong, Philippines, this 11 day of May 2007.

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