[PRC BOARD OF MARINE DECK OFFICERS RESOLUTION NO. 69, S. 2010, June 16, 2010]

POLICY REQUIRING REGISTERED AND LICENSED MARINE DECK OFFICERS TO SUBMIT VALID CERTIFICATES OF MASTER AND MATES ASSOCIATION OF THE PHILIPPINES, INC. (MMAP) MEMBERSHIP AND OFFICIAL RECEIPTS FOR ANNUAL/LIFETIME MEMBERSHIP DUES AS A PREREQUISITE FOR ISSUANCE OF CERTIFICATES OF REGISTRATION AND PROFESSIONAL IDENTIFICATION CARDS AS MARINE DECK OFFICERS OR FOR RENEWAL OF THE FOREGOING CARDS

WHEREAS, Sec. 31, *Integration of Marine Deck/Engineer Officers*, Art. VI of R.A. No. 8544, known as "The Philippine Merchant Marine Officers Act of 1998," states, to wit:

"Section 31. Integration of Marine Deck/Engineer Officers. – All marine deck/engineer officers shall be integrated into one (1) national organization which shall be recognized by the Board and by the Commission as the one and only integrated and accredited association of Marine Deck/Engineer Officers. A Marine Deck/Engineer Officers duly registered with the Board shall automatically become a member of the integrated and accredited association of Marine Deck/Engineer Officers, and shall receive the benefits and privileges appurtenant thereto upon payment of the required fees and dues. Membership in the integrated and accredited association shall not be a bar to membership in other associations of marine deck/engineer officers."

WHEREAS, pursuant to Board Res. No. 02-03, Series of 2003, the "Revised Rules and Regulations Implementing Republic Act No. 8544, known as the "Philippine Merchant Marine Officers Act of 1998", the Board of Marine Deck Officers, subject to approval by the Commission, accredited the Masters and Mates Association of the Philippines, Inc. (MMAP) as the one and only integrated and accredited national professional organization of Marine Deck Officers;

WHEREAS, there is a need to bind all registered and licensed Marine Deck Officers who are automatic members of the MMAP under the law and the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) to register with the MMAP as members thereof;

WHEREAS, the submission of Certificate of MMAP Membership together with the Official Receipt of the membership fees and annual dues before the issuance of the Certificate of Registration and Professional Identification Card or the renewal of the foregoing card will address the eventual membership with MMAP and the payment