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BAN ON POGO TENANTS

Dear Residents and Homeowners,

As you are aware, Dasmariñas Village Association, Inc. ("DVA") has been exerting efforts to prevent the use of properties within the Village as staff houses. Initially, DVA was principally concerned with enforcing the rule in our Deed Restrictions that lots shall be used only for residential purposes. However, in light of recent events, we have reason to believe that the safety and security of our residents demands a ban on tenants that DVA has reason to believe are connected with Philippine Offshore Gaming Operators ("POGOs").

On November 14, 2019, teams led by the National Bureau of Investigation, armed with search warrants, raided two houses in the Village. They seized computer equipment believed to be used for illegal online gambling operations right inside the Village.

On December 8, 2019, Makati Mayor Abby Binay declared an indefinite moratorium on the issuance of new business licenses and permits to service providers of POGO due to rising criminality and prostitution. Mayor Binay emphasized that Makati's decision to impose a moratorium is aligned with the thrust of President Rodrigo Duterte and Finance Secretary Carlos Dominguez to crack the whip against illegal activities related to POGO service providers.

On December 10, 2019, Makati Police Investigation Unit Chief Major Gideon Ines, Jr. was quoted in a news article as stating that abductions of Chinese online gaming workers have become a fairly frequent occurrence in Makati. This statement was made in connection with the kidnapping of a POGO worker along Paseo de Roxas in Makati.

Effective December 12, 2019, DVA will ban tenants that DVA has reason to believe are connected to POGO. Requests to move-in submitted by such tenants and/or their landlords will be rejected. The ban will be in effect until DVA receives confirmation from Makati City that there are no longer any concerns with respect to criminality or prostitution with respect to POGOs.

We trust that you, our residents and homeowners, will appreciate that this is in the best interests of our Village. This is where our families live, and we must all do our part to keep our Village safe.

Very truly yours,

DVA Management