

2nd March 2020

The Honorary Secretary
Nutrition Society of Malaysia (NSM)
c/o Institute For Medical Research
Jalan Pahang, 50588 Kuala Lumpur
Malaysia

RE: Proposal: To Move Two Resolutions at the 35th Annual General Meeting (AGM) Of NSM

Dear Madam

We, the undersigned members of NSM wish to seek the kind cooperation of the NSM Council to Move the following Two Resolutions at the 35th AGM of NSM, scheduled on 26th March, 2020.

- 1) Pertaining to NSM Rule #8 : Management of the Society (b) The Council of the Society shall be elected biennially at an annual general meeting to hold office for a period of two consecutive years

The First Resolution proposes to add the following item to the above-mentioned Rule:

“That no person should serve on Council for more than two (2) consecutive periods (total of 4 years) in office”.

- 2) Pertaining to NSM Rule #22 : TRUSTEES

The Second Resolution proposes to add the following item, to the above-mentioned Rule:

“That Trustees are elected for a three-year term, after which they may be re-elected for another three years. However, they cannot serve more than two terms concurrently”.

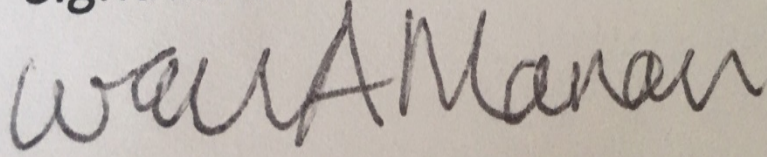
Thank you for your kind consideration

Sincerely



Khor Geok Lin

(NSM Membership No. L006)

Signature

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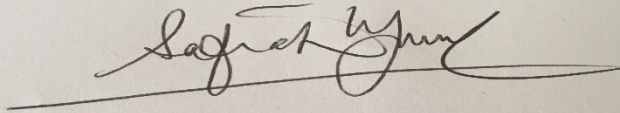
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Membership No. L050

Explanatory notes:

The current Rules of the NSM are silent on the total number of consecutive years that members serve the Council. While it is commendable that some members have been serving the Council for several years, the First Resolution proposes to include an explicit statement that the total number of consecutive years for any serving Council member shall be limited to four (4) years only.

Through this deliberate expression of having a periodic rotation of Council members, the First Resolution aims at building capacity among a broad cross-section of NSM members to helm and manage NSM activities.

The First Resolution is also in line with the Rules and Constitution of related societies in Malaysia in stating explicitly a limit to the term of office- bearers.

Examples:

1. **Malaysian Paediatric Association:** Item 6.2 “All the office-bearers shall be elected for a period of one year and shall hold office until their successors have been appointed”.
2. **Malaysian Institute of Food Technology (MIFT):** Item 8.2 “The Council shall hold office for two consecutive years.
3. **Malaysian Dietitians Association (MDA):** “*The 13th Council will serve MDA for the term of 2017 – 2019.*”

The Second Resolution is proposed to include an explicitly stated period for members who wish to serve as Trustees of NSM, as none exists in the current Rules.

We trust that these Resolutions will be included in the agenda of the NSM AGM on 26 March 2020, so that members will have an opportunity to discuss and delineate the resolutions in the best interest of NSM.

We look forward to an active discussion of the resolutions.

Thank you

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