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(Business Address: No. Street City / Town Province)

Atty. Ma. Alicia G. Picazo-San Juan

Contact Person

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Company Telephone Number

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Month

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Fiscal Year

CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

Form Type

3rd Wednesday of June

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Month

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Day

Annual Meeting

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Secondary License type, if applicable

CRMD

Dept. Requiring this Doc.

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Amended Articles Number/Section

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Total No. of Stockholders

Total amount of Borrowings

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Domestic

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Foreign

To be Accomplished by SEC Personnel concerned

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FIRST METRO PHILIPPINE EQUITY
EXCHANGE-TRADED FUND, INC.

13 May 2025

Director Rachel Esther J. Gumbang-Remalante

Corporate Governance and Finance Department

Securities and Exchange Commission

7907 Makati Ave., Salcedo Village

Brgy. Bel-Air, Makati City, 1209

Dear Director Remalante:

In compliance with SEC Memorandum Circular No. 5, series of 2017, in relation Section 38 of the Securities Regulation Code, we hereby submit the Certificate of Qualifications of the following independent directors of **First Metro Philippine Equity Exchange Traded Fund, Inc.**

- a. Mr. Bernardo M. Villegas
- b. Mr. Emmanuel G. Herbosa
- c. Mr. Victor A. Abola

Please acknowledge receipt hereof.

Thank you and regards,

Respectfully,

Atty. Ma. Alicia G. Picazo-San Juan

Corporate Secretary

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES)
MAKATI CITY) S. S.

CERTIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

I, Victor A. Abola, Filipino of legal age and with address at 4 Escriva Drive, Brgy. San Antonio, Pasig City, after having been duly sworn to in accordance with law do hereby declare that:

1. I was elected as an Independent Director of **First Metro Philippine Equity Exchange Traded Fund, Inc.** on February 11, 2025;
2. I am affiliated with the following company/ies or organizations:

Company/Organizations	Period of Service	Position
First Metro Save and Learn Balanced Fund, Inc.	February 2025 - Present	Independent Director
First Metro Save and Learn Money Market Fund, Inc.	February 2025 - Present	Independent Director
First Metro Save and Learn Fixed Income Fund, Inc.	February 2025 - Present	Independent Director
First Metro Save and Learn Dollar Bond Fund, Inc.	February 2025 – Present	Independent Director

3. I possess all the qualifications and none of the disqualifications to serve as an Independent Director of **First Metro Philippine Equity Exchange Traded Fund, Inc.** as provided for in Section 38 of the Securities and Regulation Code, its Implementing Rules and other SEC issuances;
4. I am NOT related to any director/officer/substantial shareholder (covered company and its subsidiaries and affiliates) other than the relationship provided under Rule 38.2.3 of the Securities and Regulation Code;
5. To the best of my knowledge, I am NOT subject of any pending criminal or administrative investigation or proceeding;
6. I shall faithfully and diligently comply with the duties and responsibilities as independent director under the Securities and Regulation Code and its Implementing Rules and Regulations, Code of Corporate Governance and other SEC issuances;
7. I shall inform the Corporate Secretary of **First Metro Philippine Equity Exchange Traded Fund, Inc.** of any changes in the above mentioned information within five (5) days from its occurrence.


Done this _____ day of MAY 13 2025 2025. Makati City.



VICTOR A. ABOLA
Independent Director

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me on MAY 13 2025 day of _____ 2020
in Makati City, Philippines, affiant exhibiting to me his TIN No. 452-369-321.

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ATTY. CESAR T. VERANO
NOTARY PUBLIC MAKATI CITY
APPOINTMENT NO: M-029
VALID UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2025
ISSUED ON: DECEMBER 15, 2023
PTR NO.: MKT 10463313 / 01-02-2025 / MAKATI CITY
IBP NO.: 434720 ROLL NO. 29024
MCLE COMPLIANCE NO.: VII-0023945
VALID UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2025
OFFICE ADDRESS: #2733 G/F CARREON BLDG
ZENaida ST., BRGY. POBLACION MAKATI CITY

CERTIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

I, Emmanuel G. Herbosa, Filipino of legal age and with address at 101 Banaue Street, Ayala Alabang Village, Muntinlupa City, after having been duly sworn to in accordance with law do hereby declare that:

1. I was elected as an Independent Director of **First Metro Philippine Equity Exchange Traded Fund, Inc.** on February 11, 2025;
2. I am affiliated with the following company/ies or organizations:

Company/Organizations	Period of Service	Position
First Metro Asset Management, Inc.	December 2024 - Present	Independent Director
Puregold Price Club, Inc.	May 2023 – Present	Independent Director
Citicore Energy REIT Corp.	December 2023 – Present	Independent Director
Premiere Horizon Alliance Corp.	April 2023 – Present	Chairman and Independent Director
NLEX Corporation	April 2024 – Present	Independent Director
Ovaland, inc.	May 2023 – Present	Independent Director
Trinity Insurance and Reinsurance Broker, Inc.	August 2017 – Present	Director
P & Gers Fund, Inc.	2004 – Present	Director
De La Salle School of Boards, De La Salle Brothers Fund, Inc.	1989 – Present	Trustee
Philippine Guarantee Corp.	September 2024 – Present	Private Sector Representative

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MAY 13 2025


Done this _____ day of _____ 2025. Makati City.


EMMANUEL G. HERBOSA
Independent Director

MAY 13 2025

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me on _____ day of _____ 2020 in
Makati City, Philippines, affiant exhibiting to me his TIN No. 133-552-553.

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CERTIFICATION OF INDEPENDENT DIRECTOR

I, Bernardo M. Villegas, Filipino of legal age and with address at 119 Aguirre Street, Legaspi Village, Makati City, after having been duly sworn to in accordance with law do hereby declare that:

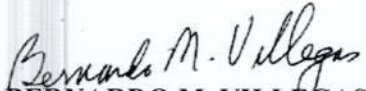
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Company/Organizations	Period of Service	Position
University of Asia and the Pacific	From 1995 to Present	Senior Vice President Dean of the School of Economics/University Professor
Parents for Education Foundation Inc. ("PAREF")	From 1976 to Present	Educational Consultant
Transnational Diversified Inc.	From 2000 to Present	Director
Alaska Milk Corporation	From 1999 to 2020	Independent Director
Insular Life	From 2000 to 2016	Member, Board of Trustees
Benguet Corporation	From 1998 to Present	Independent Director
PHINMA Properties, Inc.	From 2000 to Present	Independent Director
Filipino Fund, Inc.	From 2012 to Present	Chairman
Manila Bulletin	From 1986 to Present	Columnist
Philippine Daily Inquirer	From 2000 to Present	Columnist

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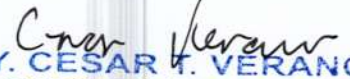
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Done this MAY 13 2025 day of _____ 2025. Makati City.


BERNARDO M. VILLEGAS
Independent Director

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me on MAY 13 2025 day of _____ 2020 in Makati City, Philippines, affiant exhibiting to me his TIN No. 111-622-998.

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