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**Message for the Apr 2012 UAP 38<sup>th</sup> National Convention**

Our warmest greetings to you all!

I, as **PRBoA Acting Chair** and the two (2) Members of the **PRBoA**, namely Architect (Ar) **Angeline T. Chua Chiac** and Ar **Marietta B. Segovia**, congratulate the **United Architects of the Philippines (UAP)**, the integrated and accredited professional organization of architects (**IAPOA**), duly accredited by the PRBoA under Sec. 40 of **Republic Act No. 9266**, otherwise known as the Architecture Act of 2004, on the occasion of its **38<sup>th</sup> National Convention**, from 18 through 21 April 2012 at the SMX Convention Center in Pasay City, with the theme “**Landmarks, Leadership and Legacy**”. These greetings go to all **UAP Members**, led by the **UAP National President (NP)**, **Architect (Ar) Ramon S. Mendoza, fuap**, to all the **Convention organizers** led by UAP Executive Director/ **Ar Roger T. Ong, uap** with Convention Director/ **Ar Lora B. Rivera, fuap**, to all the **UAP Members** in attendance, to the honored **Guests** and **Lecturers**. and to the loyal friends and supporters of the **UAP**.

While the PRBoA is sure that many of the concerned **UAP** members are well aware of what has transpired only recently in Court, it is still the **PRBoA**'s express wish that many areas of cooperation between the **PRBoA** and **UAP** shall continue to flourish and that these are kept evolving and moving forward in order to help attain our shared primary goal of the **full implementation and enforcement of R.A. No. 9266**, a valid and subsisting **special and later law**, its 2004 implementing rules and regulations (**IRR**), the pertinent **PRBoA Resolutions** and other derivative regulations, **all** of which are in **full effect**, and are supposedly **not** affected by the Court's decision, which was on an entirely **separate** matter i.e. mere executive issuances (2 provisions) pertaining to the 2004 Revised IRR of Presidential Decree (P.D.) No. 1096 (the 1977 National Building Code of the Philippines/ NBCP). While we all look forward to the looming battle at the Supreme Court over the next 2 to 3 years, R.A. No. 9266 **must** be implemented by the Government as it is still **the law** on architecture and architectural practice.

Notwithstanding claims from other parties (which appear **not** to be supported by law), always remember that R.A. No. 9266 is the **only** Philippine law that governs the State-regulated professional practice of architecture for **any and all** building/s on Philippine soil i.e. thereby limiting the professional **privilege** of preparing, signing and dry-sealing **architectural documents** only to PH **registered and licensed architects (RLAs)**. In fact, the term “**architectural documents**” only appears in Sec. 20 (5) of R.A. No. 9266 and in **no** other Philippine law, with other variants of the term appearing all throughout the law. The term “**architectural documents**” has already been sufficiently defined by the PRBoA as early as 2004 under Sec. 3 (18) of the IRR of R.A. No. 9266. To this day, the law has remained **unchallenged** in Philippine courts i.e. it is **valid and subsisting/ in full effect** as there is **no** Court Order, **no** TRO, **no** injunction and **no** pending constitutional question on **any** of its provisions i.e. it is a very strong law, but it will only remain so if we remain steadfast in supporting it. It is a law that must be followed by **all** Filipinos, or else, its violators (public or private, natural or juridical) shall be subject to the harsh penalties prescribed under its Sec. 29.

It is also the added wish of the **PRBoA** that it is able to receive the full, unqualified and continuing **support** of all **RLAs** on the current and future **PRBoA** initiatives which directly impact the architectural profession and the practice of the nearly **29,000** Philippine-registered architects (**RAs**) situated all over the world (about 7,000 or 25% of which were registered by the incumbent **PRBoA** over the last 5.25 years). The **PRBoA** continues to hope that the value of the services of the RLAs may be fully and unequivocally appreciated on a progressive and continuing basis, by the Philippine market for professional architectural services and by the Philippine Government itself (at all its levels).

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*Isulong natin ang laban para sa **matuwid na daan** para sa mga Pilipinong Arkitekto at para na rin sa mga kaalyadong propesyonal! Ipaglaban natin ang **tunay na diwa** at espiritu ng **batas!** Huwag tayong pumayag sa mga kamalian at kabalintunaan sa ating kapaligiran! Tandaan natin na kapag tayo ay nanahimik ay para na ring tayo ang may akda ng kamalian.*

*Ipagbunyi ang mga Arkitektong Pilipino!! Mabuhay po kayong lahat!!!*

**Armando N. Alli**

## *Message for the Mar 2012 PIA 79<sup>th</sup> Annual National Convention*

Our warmest greetings to you all!

I, as **PRBoA Acting Chair** and the two (2) Members of the **PRBoA**, namely Architect (**Ar**) **Angeline T. Chua Chiaco** and **Ar Marietta B. Segovia**, congratulate the **Philippine Institute of Architects (PIA)**, one of the three (3) other association of architects (**OAA**), duly recognized by the **PRBoA** under Sec. 40 of **Republic Act No. 9266**, otherwise known as the **Architecture Act of 2004**, on the occasion of its **79<sup>th</sup> Annual National Convention**, from 29 March through 01 April 2012 at the Fort Ilocandia Resort Hotel & Casino in Laoag City, in Vigan (and other culturally significant towns) and in Pagudpud, Ilocos Norte Province, under the theme **“Bridging Ourselves on Heritage: Our Wealth”**. These greetings go to all the **PIA Members**, led by the **PIA National President, Architect (Ar) Antonio L. Loveria, fpia**, to all the **Convention organizers** led by Chairman/ **Ar Bienvenido C. Marapao, Jr., fpia**, to all the **PIA Members** in attendance, to the honored **Guests**, and to the loyal friends and supporters of the **PIA**.

While the **PRBoA** is sure that many of the concerned **PIA** members are well aware of what has transpired only recently in Court, it is still the **PRBoA**'s express wish that many areas of cooperation between the **PRBoA** and **PIA** shall continue to flourish and that these are kept evolving and moving forward in order to help attain our shared primary goal of the **full implementation and enforcement of R.A. No. 9266**, a valid and subsisting special and later law, its 2004 implementing rules and regulations (**IRR**), the pertinent **PRBoA Resolutions** and other derivative regulations, all of which are in **full effect**, and are supposedly **not** affected by the Court's decision, which was on an entirely separate matter i.e. mere executive issuances (2 provisions) pertaining to the 2004 Revised **IRR** of P.D. No. 1096 (the 1977 National Building Code of the Philippines/ **NBCP**).

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## *Message to the 822 New Architects of the Land*

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I, as **PRBoA Acting Chair** and the two (2) Members of the **PRBoA**, namely Architect (**Ar**) **Angeline T. Chua Chiaco** and **Ar Marietta B. Segovia**, congratulate the **822 new Architects of the Land**, on the occasion of their **Oath-taking as Professionals**, this 20<sup>th</sup> day of March 2012 at the Manila Hotel. These greetings go to all in attendance, to the parents, Mentor-Architects, teachers, to the honored **Guests** and **Speakers** during the event, led by the acknowledged father of R.A. No. 9266 (The Architecture Act of 2004), our dear friend, the **Hon. Senator Aquilino Q. Pimentel, Jr.**, PRC Commissioner (in-charge of the PRBoA) **Alfredo Y. Po**, and to the loyal friends and supporters of the **PRBoA**.

While the **PRBoA** is sure that many of the new Architects have been made aware of what has transpired only recently in Court, it is still the **PRBoA's** express wish that many areas of cooperation between the **PRBoA** and the **new Architects**, as well as the United Architects of the Philippines (**UAP**, the integrated and accredited professional organization of architects/ **IAPOA**), shall continue to flourish and that these are kept evolving and moving forward in order to help attain our shared primary goal of the **full implementation and enforcement of R.A. No. 9266**, a valid and subsisting **special and later law**, its 2004 implementing rules and regulations (**IRR**), the pertinent **PRBoA** Resolutions and other derivative regulations, **all** of which are in **full** effect, and are supposedly **not** affected by the Court's decision, which was on an entirely **separate** matter i.e. mere executive issuances (2 provisions) pertaining to the 2004 Revised IRR of Presidential Decree (P.D.) No. 1096 (the 1977 National Building Code of the Philippines/ NBCP). While we all look forward to the looming battle at the Supreme Court over the next 2 to 3 years, R.A. No. 9266 **must** be implemented by the Government as it is still **the only Philippine law** on architecture and architectural practice.

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I would have wanted to join You but the **PRBoA** must still attend to the release of the results of the licensure examination for architects (LEA) held 27 and 29 January 2012 in Manila. I shall also be away on a father-and-son camping trip this weekend with my youngest son. I would have gladly joined the beach soccer event, having played the beautiful game with the Italians and other nationals for about 10 years.

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