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Title: Regulations on Professional Medal Bestowment, Hakka Affairs Council Date: 2021.04.13 Legislative: 1. Enacted by Order No. 0910002506 of Ke Hui Qi Zi on May 29, 2002 2. Amended by Order No. 1030001257 of Ke Hui Zong Zi on January 16, 2014 3. Amended by Order No. 10960013481 of Ke Hui Zong Zi on November 5,2020 4. Amended on April 13, 2021 Content: Hakka Affairs Council (hereinafter referred to as HAC) Article 1 enacted the regulation in accordance with Stipulation 1, Article 9 of the Medal Award Act to honor and award those who make contributions to Hakka affairs. Hakka Affairs Professional Medals (hereinafter referred Article 2 to as the Medals) shall be granted to those with any of the following conditions: 1. Those who make contributions to plan and promote Hakka policy, institution and laws and regulations; 2. Those who make contributions to preserve, create, exhibit and promote Hakka language and culture; 3. Those who make contributions to preserve, pass on and carry forward Hakka folk skills, festival activities and religious rituals; 4. Those who make contributions to Hakka academic research and knowledge system development; 5. Those who make contributions to Hakka education and talent cultivation; 6. Those who make contributions to preserve, maintain, develop, activate and recycle Hakka special settlements, architecture, historical sites and surroundings; 7. Those who make contributions to initiate and operate Hakka communications media: 8. Those who make contributions to preserve, create, exhibit and promote Hakka cultural industries; 9. Those who make contributions to harmonious relationships among ethnic groups; 10. Those who make contributions to Hakka affairs cooperation and exchange at home and abroad; 11. Those who make contributions to Hakka affairs development. The medals are ranked into First Class, Second Class or Article 3 Third Class and are pinned onto the lapel and hung with silk ribbon. The Third Class medal shall be conferred on first time awardees, except in the case of exceptional and outstanding achievement. The entitlement to a higher grade of the medal may also be obtained based on the accumulated credits of personal contributions. The medals shall not be awarded more than one time to the same person in the same year. Two or more medals of the above three grades shall not be awarded for the same achievement. Those who have received the Hakka Contribution Award will not be awarded this medal.

Those who fit one of the following circumstances within Article 3-1 the last ten years shall not be awarded the medal: 1. Subject to disciplinary sanctions in accordance with the rules of the Civil Service Punishment Act. 2. Being guilty of unbecoming conduct or violating related legal prohibitions causing serious harm to his/her reputation with solid evidence of such transgressions. 3. Having been convicted and sentenced to imprisonment for a definite term without a probation announcement, or not yet paid penalties. The bestowment of the medals has to go through the Article 4 following procedures: 1. Civil servants who apply for the medals have to be recommended by their affiliated organization. 2. Non-civil servants or foreigners who apply for the medals have to be recommended by competent authorities or groups which can verify their achievements. 3. Commissioners and departments or offices of the HAC can actively propose recommendations based on their duties. Before requesting bestowment of the medals, it is mandatory to fill out the form of Achievement Statement with the relevant credentials attached. The form of Achievement Statement can be found in Appendix 1. Appendix 1: Form of Professional Medal Statement of HAC.PDF The medals should be awarded together with Article 5 certificates, elaborating awardees' significant merits. The image and captions of the medals and certificates are illustrated in Appendices 2 and 3. Appendix 2.PDF Appendix 3: Medal Certificate of HAC.PDF The conferment of the medals on recommended candidates Article 6 shall be reviewed and passed by HAC and shall be approved by the Minister of HAC. The bestowment of the medals shall be implemented in a public ceremony. The medals for entitled candidates who are deceased Article 7 shall be awarded posthumously and shall be received by their spouse or relatives as specified in Civil Law Article 1138. The civil servant awardees shall be registered with the Article 8

Article 8 The civil servant awardees shall be registered with the Ministry of Civil Service for recording in their personal files and shall be reported to their affiliations by the HAC.

Article 9 The regulations are implemented on the date of promulgation.

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