Foreword

The best way to ensure that you are going to your destination is to know where you are coming from. The Provincial Government of Cavite, through its programmed updating of ecological profile, warrants that indeed goals are met, and outcomes are attained for all sectors of the Province. It is our commitment that through the Provincial Planning and Development Office (PPDO) and its Research, Statistics, Monitoring, and Evaluation (RSME) Division, right and significant information are provided to the stakeholders utilizing the annual publication of the Comprehensive 2019 Cavite Ecological Profile (CEP).

It is a known truth that mankind's far-reaching milestones are founded by well-thought, factual, and timely decisions. Research-based decision making, not just on science, has reached its due prominence in governance. It entails the lawmakers and the local chief executives to only aspire for careful, responsive and opportune choices that would improve the welfare of the constituents. Come a long way that good data, baselines, benchmarks, results, outcome and impact are ignored in local governance.

Thus, the Provincial Government of Cavite has formulated this 2019 CEP. The data in this CEP were gathered through the coordinative effort of various national government agencies (NGAs), local government units (LGUs), state universities and colleges (SUCs), private sectors, and other stakeholders. The collected data were translated into statistical and technical analyses and interpretations, presented in a manner that would aid researchers, local planners, and decision-makers of Cavite LGUs. Information is being utilized to develop and implement sustainable policies, plans, and programs that will address the identified developmental gaps.

To us, planners, this 2019 CEP is a useful instrument to come up with well-informed decisions, build strategic approaches, and allocate and manage our resources properly for equitable sectoral growth in the Province in the coming years.

I would like to commend all the people involved in the formulation of this profile. I am deeply grateful to my RSME staff and partner government agencies, academe, and private offices and organizations who tirelessly cooperated and contributed their time and effort to provide our needed data despite their busy schedules.

May this serve as a beneficial tool in the continued progress of our beloved Province of Cavite.

Thank you very much, and to God be all the glory.

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