

## CIRCULAR NO. 2020-009

## TO : ALL SSS MEMBERS

SUBJECT : TEMPORARY SUSPENSION OF MANDATORY UNIFIED MULTI-PURPOSE IDENTIFICATION (UMID) CARD APPLICATION

Pursuant to Social Security Commission (SSC) Resolution No. 200-s.2020 dated 18 March 2020 and in line with the Memorandum of the Executive Secretary dated 13 March 2020 on the "*Stringent Social Distancing Measures and Further Guidelines for the Management of the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (CoViD-19) Situation*", SSS has suspended until further notice the receipt of UMID Card applications, which require biometric data capture of applicants.

The biometric data capture involves close contact of the data capture operator to the applicant for the scanning of fingerprints and signature, and facial image capture, which are contradictory to the policies of stringent social distancing.

This Circular shall take effect immediately.

Original Signed AURORA C. IGNACIO President and CEO

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(Policy – Others) (Prepared by: Identity Management Department)