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In the Matter of the Proposed Redemption by Property Company of Friends, Inc. of Shares from GT Capital Holdings, Inc.

MAO Case No. M-2019-017

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## COMMISSION DECISION NO. 22-M-017/2019

This is a review of the proposed redemption by Property Company of Friends, Inc. ("ProFriends") of shares from GT Capital Holdings, Inc. ("GT Capital", and together with ProFriends, the "Parties"), pursuant to Sections 16 and 17 of Republic Act No. 10667 and Section 1, Rule 4 of the Rules and Regulations to Implement the Provisions of Republic Act No. 10667.

Upon review of the findings and recommendation of the Mergers and Acquisitions Office and the Parties' submissions, the Commission finds that the proposed redemption by ProFriends of shares from GT Capital (the "Transaction"), which results in Maplecrest Group, Inc. ("Maplecrest") obtaining sole control over ProFriends, will not likely result in substantial lessening of competition. This is because (1) there are no horizontal or vertical overlaps between ProFriends and Maplecrest's respective business activities; and (2) the Transaction will not alter the current structure of the market.

**ACCORDINGLY**, the Commission resolves to take no further action with respect to the proposed Transaction between ProFriends and GT Capital.

This Decision is rendered solely on the facts disclosed and circumstances of the proposed Transaction and documents submitted by ProFriends and GT Capital.

4 July 2019.



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