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**MEET-UP WITH OKLAHOMA SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE TO BOOST
OKLAHOMA AND PHILIPPINES AGRO-INDUSTRIAL TIES**



Oklahoma Secretary of Agriculture Jim Reese (right) warmly receives Consul General Gina A. Jamoralin at his office in Oklahoma City.

Consul General Gina A. Jamoralin met with the Oklahoma Secretary of Agriculture, Jim Reese, to promote closer agro-industrial cooperation between the Philippines and the Sooner State.

One of the largest farming states in the U.S., Oklahoma ranks as the 4th biggest wheat producer and 5th in beef production and has strong manufacturing and service sectors.

Oklahoma's chief advisor on policy development and implementation related to agriculture, food and forestry, Secretary Reese shared the Consul General's optimism in bridging closer cooperation between the Philippines and Oklahoma in livestock production, biotechnology and many other areas of opportunity and complementarity.

Consul General Jamoralin invited Secretary Reese to lead a delegation from Oklahoma to visit the Philippines and consider entering a framework agreement with a provincial government that mirrors and matches Oklahoma's agro-industrial trajectory to facilitate a mutually beneficial exchange. **END**



(L-R) Ms. Chris Morriss, Director for International Relations and Chief of Protocol at the Oklahoma Secretary of State office; Consul General Gina A. Jamoralin; DCG Romulo Victor Israel, Jr.; and Oklahoma Secretary of Agriculture Jim Reese