## **Development Bank of the Philippines**

DANTE O. TIÑGA Chairman

Dante O. Tiñga joined the Development Bank of the Philippines as Chairman of its Board of Directors on December 22, 2022. He is a distinguished legislator and jurist with a professional career spanning over six decades in both public and private practice.

Chairman Tiñga started his career as a senior attorney and associate at various prestigious law firms. He was elected Member of the House of Representatives for the Taguig-Pateros legislative district for three consecutive terms, from 1987-1998. In the House, he served as Chairperson of the Committee on Corporations and Franchises in 1987-1992, House Majority Speaker for Luzon in 1992-1998, Chairperson of the Committee on Energy also in 1992-1998, and as Speaker's Deputy in the Committee on Rules in 1995-1998. He was subsequently appointed to the Supreme Court (SC) where he served as Associate Justice in 2003-2009.

An educator at heart, Chairman Tiñga taught as professor at the University of the East (UE) Colleges of Business Administration and Law in 1967-1992. He had served as Dean of the UE College of Law twice, in 1989-1993, and again in 2017-2018. He likewise holds the distinction of being the first Dean of the Polytechnic University of the Philippines (PUP) College of Law, a post he held from 2001 until his appointment to the SC in 2003.

Chairman Tiñga earned his Bachelor of Laws degree from UE, graduating *magna cum laude* in 1960. He not only passed, but placed in the Top 15 of the Philippine Bar Examinations given that same year. HE later obtained his Master of Laws degree from the University of California, Berkeley, in 1970.

In recognition of his years of dedicated service and significant contributions to the private and public sectors, Chairman Tiñga was awarded as the Most Distinguished Alumnus by the Taguig Institute in 1968, Most Distinguished Alumnus in the Legal Profession by UE in 1988, and Most Distinguished Alumnus in Education also by UE in 1991. He was further conferred the degrees of Doctor of Public Administration by PUP in 1996 and Doctor of Law (*Honoris Causa*) by UE in 2009. He is the esteemed recipient of international awards as well, particularly, the 2009 Man of the Year in Law Award from the American Biographical Institute and the UE Global Achiever Award from the UE Alumni Association -US Chapter both bestowed in 2010.