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**OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SECRETARY**

# CERTIFICATION

**TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:**

*THIS IS TO CERTIFY that at the regular session duly constituted of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Province of Pangasinan, held on April 3, 2023 at Session Hall, Capitol Building, Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial resolution was approved:*

Authored by SP Member Nicholi Jan Louie Q. Sison

**PROVINCIAL RESOLUTION NO. 331-2023**

**AUTHORIZING THE HONORABLE GOVERNOR RAMON V. GUICO III, TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BY AND AMONG PROGRAM PARTNERS: VARIOUS NATIONAL GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, PRIVATE SEED AND AGRO-CHEMICAL COMPANIES, LGUs, FCA BENEFICIARIES AND FARMER COOPERATORS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROVINCIAL CORPORATE FARMING PROGRAM AND WITH THE TAO FOODS CORPORATION FOR RICE PRODUCTION CONTRACT GROWING PROJECT IN THE PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN**

**WHEREAS**, under the Local Government Code of 1991, Local Government Units are mandated to generate and apply its resources for productive, developmental or welfare purposes in the exercise of furtherance of its governance or proprietary powers and functions;

**WHEREAS**, agriculture is the primary industry of the Province of Pangasinan. Its agriculture sector is important for inclusive growth, being a key driver of the province's economy particularly in the rural areas where farming families live. To achieve sustainable food production, it is imperative to continuously address pressing challenges and constraints that may impact on productivity, profitability and welfare of farmers;

**WHEREAS**, to address these major concerns of the agricultural sector of our province, the Provincial Government under the leadership of Hon. Gov. Ramon V. Guico III is implementing the Provincial Corporate Farming Program to enhance food production and to make farming a profitable and sustainable economic enterprise in line with the national government's food sufficiency thrust under its Masagana Program for agriculture;





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**WHEREAS**, in line with the convergence strategy of the Provincial Government of Pangasinan, **Program Partners** were identified to collectively address the gaps in the food value chain thru farm consolidation leading to corporate farming and in order to consolidate provision of production inputs, logistical support and technical assistance to optimize use and access to farm machineries and equipment;

**WHEREAS**, in line with the convergence strategy of the Provincial Government of Pangasinan, **Program Partners** which included private companies were identified to collectively address the gaps in the food value chain thru farm consolidation leading to corporate farming and in order to consolidate provision of production inputs, logistical support and technical assistance to optimize use and access to farm machineries and equipment;

**WHEREAS**, this flagship program of the Provincial Government is in line with the province's strategic objective to uplift the socio-economic status and well-being of every Pangasinenses thru convergence approach with national government agencies, LGUs and the private companies. Major projects under the program include Rice Production; Corn Production and High Value Crops Production;

**WHEREAS**, **TAO Foods Company, Inc.**, a private company duly organized and existing, by virtue of the laws of the Philippines, recognizes that a concrete program that addresses gaps in the rice value chain can bring about real and inclusive development in the rice industry and improve the productivity and profitability of the smallholder farmers;

**WHEREAS**, the **TAO** aims to contribute to the National Government's thrust thru its Rice-To-Rise Program designed to help the smallholder farmers in the critical challenges of farming which are: access to quality seeds, modern farming methods and technology, financing, post-harvest facilities, and marketing to attain food security, and improve farmer's productivity and income through an effective public-private partnership- Contract Growing;

**WHEREAS**, the Rice-to-Rise Program of **TAO** aims to take advantage of the Local Government Unit's influence over its constituent farmers and farmers associations; Financing Institutions' resources to provide financing needs; and Agricultural Supplies Entities' network to supply farm inputs at reasonable prices

**WHEREAS**, the **Program Partners** share and support this noble aspiration of the Provincial Government to ensure the success of government programs and projects and optimize its benefit to farmer beneficiaries and uplift their standard of living;

**NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of SP Member Nicholi Jan Louie Q. Sison, duly seconded, it was –



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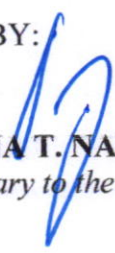
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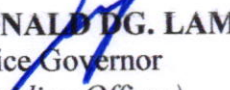
**RESOLVED**, by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled to authorize, as he is hereby authorized, the Honorable, Governor Ramon V. Guico III, to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with Program Partners: various National Government Agencies, Private Seed and Agro-chemical Companies, LGUs, FCA beneficiaries and Farmer Cooperators for the implementation of the Provincial Corporate Farming Program and with the TAO Foods Corporation for rice production contract growing project in the Province of Pangasinan;

**RESOLVED, FURTHER**, that copies of this resolution be furnished to the Honorable Governor Ramon V. Guico III, Province of Pangasinan, various National Government Agencies, Private Seed and Agro-chemical Companies, Local Government Units, FCA Beneficiaries and Farmer Cooperators, for their information and guidance.

CERTIFIED BY:

  
**VERNA T. NAVA-PEREZ**  
*Secretary to the Sanggunian*

ATTESTED:

  
**MARK RONALD DG. LAMBINO**  
Vice Governor  
(Presiding Officer)