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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 June 19, 2023 at the Session Hall, Capitol Building, Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial resolution was approved:

Authored by SP Members Vici M. Ventanilla,
Napoleon C. Fontelera, Jr. and Apolonia DG. Bacay

PROVINCIAL RESOLUTION NO. 520-2023

COMMENDING PLTCOL CHARLIE O. ANGYA-ON, FORCE COMMANDER, AND THE MEN AND WOMEN OF PANGASINAN 1ST PROVINCIAL MOBILE FORCE COMPANY (1ST PMFC) FOR THEIR EXEMPLARY PERFORMANCE OF DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS THAT LED TO THE SURRENDER OF TWO (2) HIGH-RANKING OFFICIALS AND ONE (1) MEMBER OF A COMMUNIST TERRORIST GROUP (CTG) CALLED REBOLUSYONARIONG HUKBONG BAYAN (RHB), A SPLINTER GROUP OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE PHILIPPINES – NEW PEOPLE'S ARMY (CPP-NPA) ALONG WITH THEIR FIREARMS ON MAY 30, 2023 IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MABINI, PANGASINAN

WHEREAS, the Province of Pangasinan, though was declared free from Communist Terrorist Group (CTG) affectation and influence, is still considered to be the “METERS” (Maneuver area, Expansion area, Transit area, Extortion area, Recruitment area and Side-Step area) of the CTG from the nearby regional territorial jurisdiction;

WHEREAS, it is the intent and mission of the Pangasinan 1st PMFC to identify and convince to surrender all active as well as former rebels residing or operating within the Province of Pangasinan including their supporters and sympathizers from the armed revolutionary movement and to prevent them from further recruiting, regrouping and gaining influence over our countrymen;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 70, S-2018, entitled: “*Institutionalizing the Whole-of-the-Nation-Approach in Attaining Inclusive and Sustainable Peace, creating a National Task Force to End Local Communist Armed Conflict and Directing the Adoption of National Peace Framework*”, that in dealing with the insurgency in our country, the different Departments of our government shall harmonize the delivery of basic services and social development and livelihood packages specifically targeting Geographically Isolated and Disadvantage Areas (GIDAS);



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WHEREAS, Barangay Barlo, Mabini, Pangasinan, because of its geographical features and agricultural wealth, has a long history of insurgency believed to have started in 1975 when it became an expansion area of the CPP-NPA elements operating in the Province of Zambales;

WHEREAS, in the afternoon of June 7, 2007 at Sitio Happy Valley of Barangay Barlo, Mabini, government troops clashed with more or less thirty (30) fully armed men which resulted to the wounding of three (3) PNP operating personnel and recovery of one (1) M16 rifle and assorted ammunition left behind by fleeing enemies;

WHEREAS, the steadfast and never ceasing will of the Pangasinan 1st PMFC under the leadership of PLtCol Charlie O. Angya-On to improve the quality of life of the people especially in declared Geographically Isolated and Disadvantage Areas, particularly Barangay Barlo, Mabini, Pangasinan led to the implementation of various projects and initiatives that would provide the people a brighter future and a safer place to live in;

WHEREAS, to further maintain peace and order, a detachment manned by sixteen (16) personnel was established in Barangay Barlo, Mabini, Pangasinan on December 18, 2022;

WHEREAS, since the establishment of the detachment, the people of Barangay Barlo and its nearby enjoyed a harmonious and close relationship with our government troops; trust and confidence were easily established that residents were able to freely express their sentiments and needs;

WHEREAS, sometime in January 2023, information reached PLtCol Charlie O. Angya-On that CTG members identified as Teodorico Y. Manzano a.k.a. “Ka Omar”, Comannder of RHB, Herminio Y. Manzano a.k.a. “Ka Freddie”, assistant commander and brother of “Ka Omar” and one Foreman B. Manzano a.k.a. “Ka Jonex”, all residents of Barangay Barlo, Mabini, Pangasinan, manifest their intention to surrender to the government and withdraw their support to the CTG;

WHEREAS, “Ka Omar”, a hardcore guerilla fighter and a high-ranking official of the RHB and a commander of three (3) teams which consist of 11-man per team operating within the areas of Pangasinan, Zambales and Tarlac, took part of more or less 10 armed-encounter alongside with his brother Herminio Manzano against government forces during the time of former President Ferdinand Marcos and former President Corazon Aquino;

WHEREAS, several meetings and dialogues were undertaken with the CTG members who were having second thoughts to surrender, until in one particular project of the 1st PMFC their intention turned concrete; through the Impact Project “Pailaw at Patubig ng Pulis” in Barangay Barlo, Mabini, Pangasinan on March 24, 2023, wherein only after a short period of time when the office learned of the residents’ need for solar street lamps and water pump system was instantly provided;



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WHEREAS, coordinations were made with the Local Government Unit of Mabini, Pangasinan as well as with various government agencies and partner-stakeholders such as DOLE, TESDA, DILG, DSWD AND 711b, 71D Philippine Army to discuss and assess the possible enrolment of subject CTG members to the Enhanced Comprehensive Local Integration Program (E-CLIP) and the initial assistance that could be rendered following their surrender;

WHEREAS, after almost five months of untiring efforts to convince the CTG members to lay down their arms, withdraw support to the CTG and pledge their allegiance to the government, a program for the ceremonial surrender was finalized;

WHEREAS, on May 30, 2023 at about 8:30 a.m. at the 2nd Floor of the Municipal Hall of Mabini, Pangasinan, spearheaded by PLtCol Charlie O. Angya-On, Force Commander, the Pangasinan 1st PMFC facilitated the surrender of and signing and pledge of Oath of Allegiance to the Government by, Teodorico Y. Manzano a.k.a. "Ka Omar", Herminio Y. Manzano a.k.a. "Ka Freddie", and Foreman B. Manzano a.k.a. "Ka Jonex";

WHEREAS, the formal surrender of the rebels was graced by PCol Jeff E Fanged, Provincial Director and witnessed by Hon. Colin A Reyes, Mabini Municipal Mayor, LtCol Michael B Bautista, 711b, 71D Philippine Army, Darwin G Hombrebueno, Chief, DOLE Western Pangasinan, Emely Q Tesoro, Provincial Director/PO-Pangasinan TESDA, Annabel T Roque, PSWDO Lingayen, Pangasinan, Virgilio P Sison, Provincial Director DILG Pangasinan and Barangay Captain Rogelio Ranole of Barlo, Mabini, Pangasinan;

WHEREAS, the former CTG members also surrendered their high-powered firearms: one (1) M1 Garand Rifle with one (clip) and six (6) ammunition and one (1) M1 Carbine with two (2) magazines loaded with fifteen (15) ammunition;

WHEREAS, this exceptional performance of duty is a testament of hard work and personal sacrifice in their sworn duties for the maintenance of peace, order and security deserving praise and recognition;

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of the Province of Pangasinan deems it appropriate to give recognition and commend PLtCol Charlie O. Angya-On and the men and women of Pangasinan 1st Provincial Mobile Force Company;

WHEREFORE, in view of the foregoing, on motion of SP Members Vici M. Ventanilla, Napoleon C. Fontelera, Jr. and Apolonia DG. Bacay, duly seconded, it was –

RESOLVED, by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled to commend, as he is hereby commended, PLtCol Charlie O. Angya-On, Force Commander, and the men and women of Pangasinan 1st Provincial Mobile Force Company (1st PMFC) for their exemplary performance of duties and functions that led to the surrender of two (2) high-ranking officials and one (1) member of a Communist Terrorist Group (CTG) called Rebolusyonariong Hukbong Bayan (RHB), a splinter group of the Communist Party of the Philippines – New People's Army (CPP-NPA) along with their firearms on May 30, 2023 in the Municipality of Mabini, Pangasinan;



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RESOLVED, FINALLY, that copies of this resolution be furnished to PLtCol Charlie O. Angya-On and all personnel of the Pangasinan 1st Provincial Mobile Force Company, for their information.

CERTIFIED BY:

VERNA T. NAVA-PEREZ
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

SP MEMBER NOEL C. BINCE
Temporary Presiding Officer