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## OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN SECRETARY

# CERTIFICATION

### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

*THIS IS TO CERTIFY that at the special session duly constituted of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Province of Pangasinan, held on October 4, 2023 at the Session Hall, Capitol Building, Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial resolution was approved:*

Authored by all Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

### PROVINCIAL RESOLUTION NO. 868-2023

**EXPRESSING THE DEEP SENSE OF SADNESS BY THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OVER THE UNFORTUNATE INCIDENT THAT HAPPENED IN BAJO DE MASINLOC AND URGING THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE AND OTHER LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES TO CONDUCT AN IMMEDIATE AND THOROUGH INVESTIGATION ON THE MATTER**

**WHEREAS**, the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea declares that Bajo de Masinloc is a traditional fishing ground for Filipino fisherfolk and an integral part of the Philippines over which it has sovereignty and territorial jurisdiction;

**WHEREAS**, the Honorable Sangguniang Panlalawigan Members of the Province of Pangasinan are deeply saddened about the death of the three fishermen brought by the unfortunate incident in Bajo de Masinloc (Scarborough Shoal);

**WHEREAS**, eleven fishermen were rescued after colliding with an unidentified commercial vessel one hundred eighty (180) nautical miles or three hundred thirty-three (333) kilometers northwest of Barangay Cato, Infanta, Pangasinan on October 2, 2023;

**WHEREAS**, that Philippine Coast Guard and other government agencies should take steps in conducting comprehensive and unbiased investigations to determine the cause of a maritime accident that occurs within their jurisdiction in accordance with the law;

**WHEREFORE**, in view of the foregoing, on unanimous motion, duly seconded, it was -



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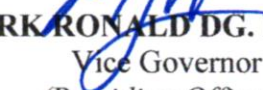
**RESOLVED**, by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled, to express as it hereby expressed, the deep sense of sadness by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan over the unfortunate incident that happened in Bajo de Masinloc and urging the Philippine National Police and other law enforcement agencies to conduct an immediate and thorough investigation on the matter;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Office of the Governor, Hon. Ramon V. Guico III, Municipal Mayor of Infanta Pangasinan Hon. Marvin M. Martinez, Infanta Police Station, Police Capt. Christopher Nacional, and the Philippine Coast Guard, CG ADM Artemio Abu, Coast Guard Sub-station Infanta, for their information, reference, and appropriate action.

CERTIFIED BY:

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

ATTESTED:

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