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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 November 6, 2023 at the Session Hall, Capitol Building, Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial resolution was approved:

Authored by SP Members Vici M. Ventanilla and Nicholi Jan Louie Q. Sison and co-authored by SP Members Napoleon C. Fontelera, Jr., Apolonia DG. Bacay and Arthur C. Celeste, Jr.

PROVINCIAL RESOLUTION NO. 947-2023

AUTHORIZING THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR, RAMON V. GUICO III, TO ENTER INTO AND SIGN A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN AND AMONG THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE-BUREAU OF FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES, THE CITY OF ALAMINOS, AND THE MUNICIPALITIES OF ANDA AND SUAL FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NETWORK OF MARINE PROTECTED AREAS TO BE KNOWN AS THE CITY OF ALAMINOS-MUNICIPALITIES OF SUAL AND ANDA MARINE PROTECTED AREA NETWORK (CAMSA MPA NETWORK)

WHEREAS, the establishment of a Marine Protected Areas (MPA) network in some areas in Pangasinan would be a proactive step in the protection of important marine and coastal biodiversity in the Province;

WHEREAS, the coastal and marine areas of the local government units of the City of Alaminos, Anda and Sual are hosts to important coastal habitats which are repositories of marine biodiversity;

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government of Pangasinan fully supports the program of the national government through the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and the Department of Agriculture-Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR) for the establishment of a network of marine protected areas in the Province of Pangasinan to be known as the City of Alaminos-Municipalities of Sual and Anda Marine Protected Area Network (CAMSA MPA Network);



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WHEREAS, the Marine Protected Areas Network in the Province will play a vital role in the formation of alliance to strengthen community resiliency towards climate change by managing coastal habitats for the sustainable utilization of marine resources;

WHEREAS, the establishment of the Marine Protected Area (MPA) is aimed to preserve, protect and conserve the coastal and fishery resources of the local government units concerned and ensure their sustainable use for the benefit of the people of Pangasinan;

WHEREAS, collaborative management between and among the three local government units in the Province and the concerned authorities is the key to effectively and sustainably attaining the benefits of establishing a Marine Protected Areas Network in the Province, especially in the face of various threats such as climate change, storm surges, over exploitation of resources and marine pollution, among others;

WHEREAS, there is an essential need to establish a Marine Protected Areas Network in Pangasinan as it would be beneficial to the Province in terms of food security, sustainable livelihood and economic growth, climate change mitigation and adaptation;

WHEREAS, Section 33 of RA 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, provides that local government units alliances are established through appropriate local ordinances and LGUs involved may upon approval by the sanggunian concerned after a public hearing conducted for the purpose, contribute funds, real estate, equipment and other kinds of property and appoint or assign personnel under such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon by the participating local units through Memoranda of Agreement;

WHEREAS, the Memorandum of Agreement shall be executed between and among the parties to set forth the objectives for the establishment of the CAMSA MPA Network in the Province of Pangasinan including their roles and responsibilities;

WHEREAS, Section 465 (vi) of RA 7160 provides that the Provincial Governor shall represent the Province in all its business transactions and sign in its behalf all bonds, contracts and obligations and such other documents upon authority of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan or pursuant to law or ordinance;

WHEREAS, for the above purpose, a Memorandum of Agreement shall be entered into and signed between the Province of Pangasinan, represented by Honorable Governor Ramon V. Guico III; the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, represented by Honorable Crizaldy M. Barcelo, Regional Executive Director; the Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources, represented by Honorable Rosario Segundina P. Gaerlan, Regional Director; the City of Alaminos, represented by Honorable Mayor Arth Bryan C. Celeste; the Municipality of Anda, represented by Honorable Mayor Joganie C. Rarang; and the Municipality of Sual, represented by Honorable Mayor Liseldo D.Q. Calugay;



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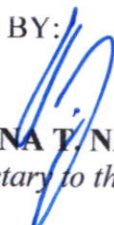
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NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of SP Members Vici M. Ventanilla and Nicholi Jan Louie Q. Sison and co-authored by SP Members Napoleon C. Fontelera, Jr., Apolonia DG. Bacay and Arthur C. Celeste, Jr., duly seconded, it was –

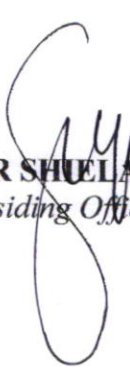
RESOLVED, by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled to authorize, as he is hereby authorized, the Provincial Governor, Ramon V. Guico III, to enter into and sign a Memorandum of Agreement between and among the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Department of Agriculture-Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources, the City of Alaminos, and the Municipalities of Anda and Sual for the establishment of a network of marine protected areas to be known as the City of Alaminos-Municipalities of Sual and Anda Marine Protected Area Network (CAMSA MPA Network);

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that copies of this resolution be furnished to the Honorable Provincial Governor, Ramon V. Guico III, and all concerned parties, for their information and guidance.

CERTIFIED BY:


VERNA T. NAVA-PEREZ
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:


SP MEMBER SHUELLA MARIE F. BANIQUED
Presiding Officer Pro Tempore