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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 June 9, 2025, at the Session Hall, Capitol Building, Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial resolution was approved:

Authored by SP Member Jerry Agerico B. Rosario

#### PROVINCIAL RESOLUTION NO. 587-2025

URGING THE PANGASINAN POLICE PROVINCIAL OFFICE (PPPO) AND THE PHILIPPINE DRUG ENFORCEMENT AGENCY (PDEA) TO CONDUCT A SPEEDY AND THOROUGH INVESTIGATION INTO THE DISCOVERY OF SUSPECTED SHABU WORTH ₱6.8 BILLION ALONG THE COASTAL AREAS OF AGNO, BANI, AND BOLINAO, WESTERN PANGASINAN

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9165, otherwise known as the Comprehensive Dangerous Drugs Act of 2002, provides the legal framework for the prevention and suppression of illegal drugs in the Philippines and authorizes the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) and other law enforcement agencies to conduct enforcement and investigations;

**WHEREAS**, Article II, Section 4 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution declares that "the prime duty of the Government is to serve and protect the people";

WHEREAS, from June 5 to June 6, 2025, local fishermen discovered suspicious packages floating along the coastal areas of Agno, Bani, and Bolinao, Pangasinan, while engaged in their regular fishing activities;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA), in coordination with other law enforcement agencies, recovered the suspected illegal drugs consisting of five hundred eighty-eight (588) vacuum-sealed transparent plastic packs containing suspected methamphetamine hydrochloride (shabu) weighing approximately five hundred eighty-seven point eight (587.8) kilograms, with an estimated street value of six billion and eight hundred million pesos (₱6,800,000,000.00);

WHEREAS, the recovery operation is currently being conducted jointly by the PDEA, Philippine Coast Guard (PCG), Philippine National Police (PNP), Philippine Navy (PN), and the National Bureau of Investigation (NBI) on the retrieved and seized illegal drugs;





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> WHEREAS, PDEA Director General Isagani Nerez recognized the fishermen as the true heroes in the discovery of the enormous volume of illegal drugs, highlighting the crucial role of community vigilance in the fight against illegal drugs;

> WHEREAS, it is imperative to conduct a speedy and thorough investigation into the incident to identify those responsible for the illegal shipment, prevent further drug trafficking, and uphold the rule of law in the province and the country at large;

> **NOW, THEREFORE**, in the view of foregoing, on motion of SP Member Jerry Agerico B. Rosario, duly seconded, it was -

**RESOLVED**, by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled to urge, as they are hereby urged, the Pangasinan Police Provincial Office (PPPO) and the Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA) to conduct a speedy and thorough investigation into the discovery of suspected shabu worth ₱6.8 billion along the coastal areas of Agno, Bani, and Bolinao, Western Pangasinan;

**RESOLVED FURTHER,** that the aforementioned agencies be requested to furnish the Sangguniang Panlalawigan with periodic progress reports regarding the status and findings of the investigation for proper monitoring and transparency;

**RESOLVED FINALLY**, that copies of this resolution be furnished to Honorable Governor Ramon V. Guico III, Province of Pangasinan, PCOL Ricardo M. David, Officer-in-Charge, Pangasinan Police Provincial Office (PPPO), Director General Isagani Nerez, Philippine Drug Enforcement Agency (PDEA), and other concerned agencies, for their information and guidance.

CERTIFIED BY:

VERNAZI. NAVA-PEREZ Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

SP MEMBER ROSARY GRACIA P. PEREZ-TABABA

Acting vice Go**v**ernor

