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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 December 1, 2025, at the Session Hall, Capitol Building, Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial resolution was approved:*

Authored by SP Member Nicholi Jan Louie Q. Sison

### PROVINCIAL RESOLUTION NO. 997-2025

**AUTHORIZING THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR, RAMON V. GUICO III, TO ENTER INTO AND SIGN A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE PHILIPPINE COCONUT AUTHORITY (PCA) REGIONS III AND MIMAROPA, FOR THE SUPPLY, HANDLING, AND DELIVERY OF 25,452 BAGS OF AGRICULTURAL GRADE SALT FERTILIZER (AGSF)**

**WHEREAS**, the Philippine Coconut Authority is the sole government agency that is tasked to develop the coconut industry to its full potential and to ensure that the outcomes of this development shall accrue to the coconut farmers;

**WHEREAS**, the PCA is presently implementing the Coconut Planting and Replanting Project which aims to revitalize the coconut industry by planting 100 million trees from 2023 to 2028, increase farmers' incomes and drive economic development within local government units:

**WHEREAS**, the Province of Pangasinan supports the coconut planting program that would benefit the coconut farmers and the industry stakeholders in the province and in other regions;

**WHEREAS**, one of the projects being implemented by the PCA is the Coconut Fertilization Project (CFP) which intends to enhance the coconut productivity involving the rehabilitation of low-bearing palms through the application of Agricultural Grade Salt Fertilizers (AGSF);

**WHEREAS**, Section 23 of Republic Act No. 11985, or the Philippine Salt Industry Development Act, provides for the mandatory use "...of domestically produced salt in its programs, including the fertilization of coconut farms by the PCA";

**WHEREAS**, the Provincial Government of Pangasinan, thru the Pangasinan Salt Center, owns and manages a 473-hectare salt farm in Zaragoza, Bolinao, Pangasinan, that is capable to supply the required quantity of locally-produced Agricultural Grade Salt Fertilizer for the Coconut Fertilization Program of the PCA;



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**WHEREAS**, the PCA and the Provincial Government of Pangasinan agree to enter into an agreement for the supply, handling, transport and delivery of 25,452 bags of Agricultural Grade Salt Fertilizers valued at twenty million, three hundred sixty-one thousand, six hundred pesos (PhP20,361,600.00), for the implementation of the program to the different designated drop-off-points (DOPs);

**WHEREAS**, a partnership between the PCA and the Provincial Government of Pangasinan would help achieve the goal to help the coconut industry for the benefit of both small coconut and salt farmers;

**WHEREAS**, the Sangguniang Panlalawigan fully recognizes the importance of this partnership to ensure the successful implementation of the said program and to achieve the desired outcomes;

**WHEREAS**, this Memorandum of Agreement is in conformity with Section 22 (a) (5) (c) and Section 465 (b) (vi) of RA 7160 which empowers the local government unit to enter into contracts, but such power may be exercised with prior authorization emanating from the Sangguniang Panlalawigan through a resolution/ordinance;

**WHEREAS**, for the above purpose, a Memorandum of Agreement shall be entered into and signed by and between the Province of Pangasinan, represented by Honorable Governor Ramon V. Guico III, and the Philippine Coconut Authority, represented by its Administrator and CEO, Dr. Dexter R. Buted;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in view of the foregoing, on motion of SP Member Napoleon C. Fontelera, Jr., 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 with the Philippine Coconut Authority (PCA) Region III and MIMAROPA, for the supply, handling, and delivery of 25,452 bags of Agricultural Grade Salt Fertilizer (AGSF);

**RESOLVED, FINALLY**, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to Honorable Governor Ramon V. Guico III, Province of Pangasinan; and the Philippine Coconut Authority Administrator and CEO, Dr. Dexter R. Buted, for their information and guidance.

CERTIFIED BY:

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

ATTESTED:

**SP MEMBER PHILIP THEODORE E. CRUZ**  
*Acting Presiding Officer*