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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 October 25, 2021 at Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial ordinance was approved:

Authored by all Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 269-2021

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE PANGASINAN PROVINCIAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT OFFICE CLIMATE RESILIENCY CENTER

WHEREAS, Section 16, Article II of the Philippine Constitution promotes that "The State shall protect and advance the rights of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature.";

WHEREAS, in line with the above constitutional provision, Republic Act 9729 or the Climate Change Act of 2009 was enacted to adopt a framework which espouses sustainable development, to fulfill human needs while maintaining the quality of the natural environment for current and future generations;

WHEREAS, together with the Climate Change Act of 2009, the Republic Act 10121 or the Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010 was promulgated specifically to mainstream disaster risk reduction and climate change in the development process such as policy formulation, socioeconomic development planning, budgeting and governance under Section 2 (g) of the said law;

WHEREAS, the Philippines has become one of the most vulnerable countries affected by climate change in recent years evidenced by rising of sea levels, stronger typhoons, increase in seasonal rainfall, loss of food supply and a lot more;

WHEREAS, the Province of Pangasinan has also become vulnerable to the effects of climate change in the country. Based on PAGASA's climate projection using the baseline 1970-2000 climate, a mid-scenario increase in seasonal rainfall will be highly affecting the Province of Pangasinan and an estimated +25% increase in 659mm of rainfall in 2020 to 2050 will occur;







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WHEREAS, DBM-CCC-DILG JMC 2015-01 or the Climate Change Expenditure Tagging (CCET) of LGUs Annex A 4.1 calls for Local Government Units to intensify efforts in the implementation of programs, activities and projects to improve the resilience of their localities, which includes the increase of their budgetary allocations for basic services and facilities responsive to climate change to improve the adaptive capacity of their communities and reduce the adverse impacts of climate change";

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need to establish a climate resiliency center, which will serve as the nucleus for research, policy formulation, and coordinating arm, to achieve climate and disaster resiliency in the province;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of all Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, duly seconded, it was -

Be it enacted by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled:

Section 1. TITLE – This Ordinance shall be known as "ESTABLISHING THE PANGASINAN PROVINCIAL DISASTER RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT OFFICE CLIMATE RESILIENCY CENTER".

Section 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY – The Provincial Government of Pangasinan's paramount concern about climate change as embodied in the Climate Change Act 2009 is hereby affirmed.

Section 3. OBJECTIVES - The Pangasinan Climate Resiliency Center aims to focus on:

- a. Policy formulations, researches, and science-based data that will aide in climate projections for future disasters;
- b. Enhanced Local Climate Change Action Plan (eLCCAP) data analysis assistance for LGUs in the province;
- c. Accessing the People Survival Fund (PSF) for climate change adaptation and mitigation source of funds using the Climate Change Expenditure Tagging (CCET) in the AIP;
- d. Formulating and monitoring of climate change adaptation and mitigation projects in LGUs in the province. Drafting of Green House Gases (GHG) inventory in the province.

Section 4. IMPLEMENTING OFFICE – The Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (PDRRMO).







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Section 5. AREA OF COVERAGE AND IMPOSITION – The Climate Resiliency Center shall be administered by the Provincial Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office (PDRRMO). Assistance in climate research and solutions will be given to the Local Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Office upon request.

Section 6. IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES - Proper compliance monitoring will be done by the implementing office after formulating rules and regulations upon consultation with different stakeholders after the enactment of this Ordinance.

Section 7. INFORMATION EDUCATION – Upon the enactment of this Ordinance, a grace period will be given for massive information education transfer in all stakeholders regarding the rules, regulations and guidelines.

Section 8. REPEALING CLAUSE – All existing ordinance, resolutions inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed and superseded or modified accordingly.

Section 9. EFFECTIVITY – This Ordinance shall take effect after its approval and publications in a newspaper of general circulation in the Province of Pangasinan that should be accessible in all sectors down to the barangay level.

CERTIFIED BY

VERNA T. NAVA-PEREZ Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

MARK BONALD DG. LAMBINO

Vice Governor (Presiding Officer)

APPROVED:

AMADO I. ESPINO III Governor



