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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 April 8, 2020 at Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial resolution was approved:

Authored by SP Member Nestor D. Reyes

PROVINCIAL RESOLUTION NO. 353-2020

URGING THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT OF PANGASINAN TO ESTABLISH A TESTING CENTER IN THE PROVINCE AND TO PURCHASE TESTING KITS TO FACILITATE TESTING OF PANGASINENSES

WHEREAS, the Department of Health has been conducting COVID-19 testing accreditation process of hospitals and laboratories in other areas to be of help in the daily testing capacities of the country;

WHEREAS, the Province of Pangasinan would like to step up efforts to prevent the spread of COVID-19 through the establishment of testing center that is capable of performing quality testing to detect coronavirus;

WHEREAS, considering that Pangasinan has a bigger population, it is also more ideal for the Province to establish a testing center and to purchase testing kits so as not to solely depend on other testing centers that are already loaded with testing samples amid the growing threat of the disease;

WHEREAS, as of April 8, 2020, the total number of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Pangasinan is 31;

WHEREAS, if a testing center is established in the Province, it need not transport swab samples to other testing centers and await for nearly a week or more for its results;

WHEREAS, the Province will be able to start its own testing center laboratory once it is approved and found to be fully reliable for detecting COVID-19 by the Department of Health;

WHEREAS, patients who are suspected with Influenza-like symptoms and acute respiratory illness in the Province are the priorities for testing;