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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 February 12, 2024 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. 240-2024

INVITING THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE PENRO, CENRO, PTCAO, BIRDING ENTHUSIASTS AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS TO A COMMITTEE HEARING OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT, NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY; AND THE COMMITTEE ON TOURISM OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF PANGASINAN WITH THE OBJECTIVE OF IDENTIFYING EXISTING AND POTENTIAL BIRDING SITES IN THE PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN IN THE HOPE OF PRESERVING, DEVELOPING AND PROMOTING THE PROVINCE AS AN ECOTOURISM DESTINATION FOR BIRDERS

WHEREAS, Section 16, Article II of the 1987 Constitution provides that, "The State shall protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature";

WHEREAS, Section 22, Article II of the 1987 Constitution provides that, "The State recognizes and promotes the rights of indigenous cultural communities within the framework of national unity and development; and hereby declared as the policy of the State to promote a tourism industry that is ecologically sustainable, responsible, participative, culturally sensitive, economically viable and equitable for communities;

WHEREAS, R.A. 7160 Section 16 of the Local Government Code states among others that "Within their respective territorial jurisdictions, local government units shall ensure and support, among other things, the preservation and enrichment of culture, promote health and safety, enhance the right of the people to a balanced ecology";

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 9147, otherwise known as Wildlife Resources Conservation and Protection Act of 2001, provides that it is the environmental policy for the Philippine government to manage and conserve the country's wildlife resources and also provides for the conservation, preservation, and protection of wildlife species and their habitats. Protecting wildlife helps preserve ecosystems and ensure their stability and sustainability;





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WHEREAS, the National Tourism Action Plan, 2004-2010 explicitly addresses environmental, social, and cultural concerns within respective territorial jurisdictions of LGUs to ensure and support, among other things, the preservation and enrichment of culture, promote health and safety, enhance the right of the people to a balanced ecological concerns that aims to conserve and protect the national, physical, and ecological resources; research and development; advocacy and capacity building for tourism stakeholders on protection and preservation of natural and cultural resources;

WHEREAS, birding is a potential ecotourism project in the Philippines and the Province of Pangasinan and can showcase the Province's rich biodiversity, diverse habitats, and abundance of bird species that thrives in the province;

WHEREFORE, in view of the foregoing, on motion of SP Member Jerry Agerico B. Rosario, duly seconded, it was –

RESOLVED, by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled to invite, as they are hereby invited, the representatives of the PENRO, CENRO, PTCAO, Birding Enthusiasts and other stakeholders to a Committee Hearing of the Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Energy; and the Committee on Tourism of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Pangasinan with the objective of identifying existing and potential birding sites in the Province of Pangasinan in the hope of preserving, developing and promoting the Province as an ecotourism destination for birders;

RESOLVED, FINALLY, to furnish copies of this resolution to the representatives of the PENRO, CENRO, PTCAO, Birding Enthusiasts and other stakeholders concerned, for their information and guidance.

CERTIFIED BY:

VERNA T NAVA-PEREZ Secretary of the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

MARK RONALU DG. LAMBINO

Presiding Officer)

