

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 January 20, 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. 79-2025

AUTHORIZING THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR, RAMON V. GUICO III, TO ENTER INTO AND SIGN A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) WITH THE OVERSEAS WORKERS WELFARE ADMINISTRATION (OWWA) ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MIGRANT HELP DESK IN THE PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN

WHEREAS, the Overseas Workers Welfare Administration (OWWA) is a national government agency attached to the Department of Labor and Employment, vested with the special function of developing and implementing welfare programs and services that address the needs of its member-OFWs and their families;

WHEREAS, one of OWWA's objectives is to strengthen its commitment to migrant workers and their families by expanding and improving the delivery of programs and services by collaborating with a network of partners, including the Provincial Government of Pangasinan, among others;

WHEREAS, it is to the best interest of the Province of Pangasinan to collaborate with the OWWA in finding ways to protect the interest and promote the welfare of the OFWs from Pangasinan in recognition of their valuable contribution to the continued stability of the Philippine economy;

WHEREAS, accordingly, both the Province of Pangasinan and the OWWA have agreed to strengthen their resources through collaborative efforts, foster mutual cooperation and support in establishing a network of services and institutions dedicated to the well-being of the OFWs and their families;

WHEREAS, this commitment includes the establishment of a Migrant Help Desk in the Province of Pangasinan to attend to the problems and concerns of the OFWs and their families, and to provide information on all aspect of overseas *employment*, as mandated under Republic Act No. 8042, or the Migrant Workers' Act, as amended by REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10022, AN ACT AMENDING REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8042, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE MIGRANT WORKERS AND OVERSEAS FILIPINOS





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> ACT OF 1995, AS AMENDED, FURTHER IMPROVING THE STANDARD OF PROTECTION AND PROMOTION OF THE WELFARE OF MIGRANT WORKERS, THEIR FAMILIES AND OVERSEAS FILIPINOS IN DISTRESS, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, specifically under Section 16 (d.2) thereof, which states:

"Establish overseas Filipino worker help desk or kiosk in their localities with the objective of providing current information to their constituents on all the processes and aspects of overseas employment. Such desk or kiosk shall, as far as practicable, be fully computerized and shall be linked to the database of all concerned government agencies, particularly the POEA for its updated lists of overseas job orders and licensed recruitment agencies in good standing."

WHEREAS, for the above purpose, a Memorandum of Agreement shall be entered into and signed between the Province of Pangasinan, represented by Honorable Governor Ramon V. Guico III, and the Overseas Workers Welfare Administration, represented by Hon. Arnaldo A. Ignacio, Administrator;

WHEREFORE, in view of the foregoing, on motion of SP Member Jerry Agerico B. Rosario, 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 (MOA) with the Overseas Workers Welfare Administration (OWWA) on the establishment of a Migrant Help Desk in the Province of Pangasinan;

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that copies of this resolution be furnished to Honorable Governor Ramon V. Guico III, Province of Pangasinan; and to Hon. Arnaldo A. Ignacio, Administrator, Overseas Workers Welfare Administration, for their information and guidance.

CERTIFIED BY:

T. NAVA-PEREZ Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

LD DG. LAMBINO MARK RON Vice Governor (Presiding Officer)

