

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 September 27, 2021 at Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial resolution was approved:

Authored by SP Member Nicholi Jan Louie Q. Sison

## PROVINCIAL RESOLUTION NO. 820-2021

INVITING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, NATIONAL FOOD AUTHORITY, PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY, AND THE PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURE OFFICE TO A QUESTION HOUR OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN DURING ITS OCTOBER 4, 2021 REGULAR (PHYSICAL) SESSION TO SHED LIGHT ON THE DECLINING PRICES OF PALAY IN PANGASINAN

WHEREAS, rice is the staple food of every Pangasinense;

WHEREAS, Pangasinan is an agricultural Province and most farmers are dependent on their livelihood of planting and harvesting essential products especially palay;

**WHEREAS,** as the Province of Pangasinan enters the harvest season, one of the main problems encountered by the farmers is the decline in prices of palay ranging from P13.00 to P13.50 and they are bracing for losses of their farm products;

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to address this equally important matter affecting the prices of local produce of the Province and come up with appropriate intervention programs to help the farmers;

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture is the principal agency responsible for the promotion of agricultural development in the country and in partnership with local government units provides the support agricultural services needed by them;

**WHEREAS**, the National Food Authority is mandated by law to procure and market the produce of farmers and is also tasked to ensure that the supply of rice is enough for the year;

WHEREAS, the Philippine Statistics Authority conducts surveys which aimed to generate estimates on palay production, area and yield and other related information at the provincial level which also includes data gathering of palay price;







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WHEREAS, the Provincial Agriculture Office ensures that maximum assistance and access to resources in the production, processing and marketing of agricultural products are extended to farmers;

WHEREAS, the abovementioned government agencies are the proper authorities that could enlighten the Board on the matter;

WHEREAS, Section 20 of the Internal Rules of Procedure of the 10<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Pangasinan provides that a Question Hour is the period of time allotted for members of the Sanggunian to ask questions from invited resource persons coming from both the government and private sectors, usually heads of offices, technical men and prominent individuals, primarily intended to seek information from the latter on certain matters that are of public interest and in aid of legislation;

**WHEREFORE,** in view of the foregoing, on motion of SP Member Nicholi Jan Louie Q. Sison, duly seconded, it was –

**RESOLVED,** by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan in session assembled to invite, as they are hereby invited, the Department of Agriculture, National Food Authority, Philippine Statistics Authority, and the Provincial Agriculture Office to a Question Hour of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan during its October 4, 2021 Regular (Physical) Session to shed light on the declining prices of palay in Pangasinan;

**RESOLVED FINALLY,** to furnish copies of this resolution to the Department of Agriculture, National Food Authority, Philippine Statistics Authority, and the Provincial Agriculture Office, for their information and guidance.

CERTIFIED BY:

VERNAT. NAVA-PEREZ Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

MARK KONALD DG. LAMBINO

(Presiding Officer)



