

SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 2<sup>nd</sup> REGULAR SESSION OF THE 11<sup>th</sup> SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN NG ILOILO, HELD IN THE SESSION HALL OF THE NEW ILOILO PROVINCIAL CAPITOL, BONIFACIO DRIVE, ILOILO CITY ON JANUARY 20, 2015.

**PRESENT:**

Hon. Raul "Boboy" C. Tupas,  
Presiding Officer

Hon. June S. Mondejar,	Floor Leader
Hon. Ninfa S. Garin,	Member
Hon. Dennis T. Valencia,	Member
Hon. Demetrio P. Sonza,	Member
Hon. Emmanuel R. Gallar,	Member
Hon. Maria Shalene Palmares-Hidalgo,	Member
Hon. Nielo C. Tupas,	Member
Hon. Jesus C. Salcedo,	Member
Hon. Paulino M. Parian,	Member (President, PCL)

**ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS:**

Hon. Carmen Rita Monfort-Bautista, Member

**ON LEAVE:**

Hon. Licurgo P. Tirador, (Sick Leave) Member  
Hon. Jeneda Salcedo-Orendain, Member (Pres., Liga ng mga Brgy.)

**RESOLUTION NO. 2015-014**

**RESOLUTION GRANTING AUTHORITY TO THE GOVERNOR, HONORABLE ARTHUR D. DEFENSOR, SR., TO SIGN THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA), FOR AND IN BEHALF OF THE PROVINCE OF ILOILO, WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (DENR) AND THE ARCHDIOCESE OF JARO TO PROMOTE THE REGREENING PROGRAM BY REQUIRING COUPLES APPLYING FOR MARRIAGE LICENSE TO PLANT TREES IN GOVERNMENT DESIGNATED AREAS, SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS STIPULATED THEREIN**

"Presented for consideration of the Body is Committee Report No. 01, Series of 2015, of the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, chaired by the Honorable Jeneda Salcedo-Orendain, relative to the letter dated November 21, 2014, of Hon. Raul "Boboy" C. Tupas, Acting Governor, asking for authority to sign a Memorandum of Agreement with the DENR and the Archdiocese of Jaro to promote the regreening program by requiring couples applying for marriage license to plant trees in government designated areas. Furthermore, the Acting Governor requests the August Body to enact a resolution urging LGUs within the province to pass their respective ordinance to give local teeth to the said measure;

**WHEREAS**, the Provincial Legal Office opined that the above-mentioned subject matter is valid pursuant to Section 17 (a) and (b) (iii) (*Basic Services and Facilities*) in relation to Section 465 (a) and (b) (1) (vi) (*The Chief Executive: Powers, Duties, Functions, and Compensation*) of R.A. 7160 or the Local Government Code of 1991. Further, it is in consonance with the program ART (Action for Regreening and Transformation);

**WHEREAS**, moreover, under Executive Order No. 26, dated February 24, 2011, the implementation of a National Greening Program (NGP) was issued as a government priority for poverty reduction, food security, biodiversity conservation, and climate change mitigation and adaptation. The DENR is designated to compose a National Convergence Initiative to lead the NGP implementation. The Archdiocese of Jaro, the DENR, and the Iloilo Provincial Government recognize the value of collaboration and partnership in order to achieve the objectives of NGP, and have agreed to work together to encourage the growing of quality planting materials in the community consistent with the objectives and requirements of NGP;

**WHEREAS**, in view of the foregoing, it is recommended that the Governor be granted authority to sign the said Memorandum of Agreement and to urge LGUs within the province to pass their respective ordinance to give local teeth to the said measure;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, on motion of the Honorable June S. Mondejar, Floor Leader, together with the Honorable Maria Shalene Palmares-Hidalgo, Member, Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, which was duly seconded;

**RESOLVED**, as it is hereby Resolved, to grant authority to the Governor, Honorable Arthur D. Defensor, Sr., to sign the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), for and in behalf of the Province of Iloilo, with the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and the Archdiocese of Jaro to promote the regreening program by requiring couples applying for marriage license to plant trees in government designated areas, subject to all the terms and conditions stipulated therein;


**RESOLVED FURTHER**, to urge local government units (LGUs) within the Province of Iloilo to pass their respective ordinance to give local teeth to the said measure;

**RESOLVED FINALLY**, to furnish copies of this Resolution, the Governor, Hon. Arthur D. Defensor, Sr.; Regional Director Jim O. Sampulna, CESO III, DENR, Regional Office 6, Iloilo City; Archbishop Angel N. Lagdameo, Archbishop's Palace, Jaro, Iloilo City; all concerned City/Municipal Mayors; the Offices of the Provincial Legal Officer and the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer; and the Honorable Jeneda Salcedo-Orendain, Chairperson, Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, all of the Province of Iloilo, for their information and guidance;

**APPROVED."**

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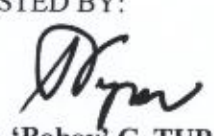
**I HEREBY CERTIFY** to the correctness of the above-quoted Resolution.

  
**ATTY. RAUL S. TIOSAYCO, JR.**  
Secretary to the Sanggunian

CONCURRED BY:

  
**JUNE S. MONDEJAR**  
Floor Leader

ATTESTED BY:

  
**RAUL 'BOBOY' C. TUPAS**  
Presiding Officer