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EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL HELD IN THE CITY OF BACOLOD, NEGROS OCCIDENTAL ON THE 12<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH 2024.

Present:

Hon. Anthony Dennis J. Occeño	Temporary Presiding Officer
Hon. Rommel T. Debulgado	Member - 1 <sup>st</sup> District
Hon. Araceli T. Somosa	Member - 1 <sup>st</sup> District
Hon. Sixto Teofilo Roxas V. Guanzon, Jr.	Member - 2 <sup>nd</sup> District
Hon. Jose Benito A. Alonso	Member - 4 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Rita Angela S. Gatuslao	Member - 5 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Valentino Miguel J. Alonso	Member - 6 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Jeffrey T. Tubola	Member - 6 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Mayvelyn L. Madrid	Member - SK
On Official Business:	
Hon. Samson C. Mirhan	Member - 2 <sup>nd</sup> District
Hon. Manuel Frederick O. Ko	Member - 3 <sup>rd</sup> District
Hon. Andrew Gerard L. Montelibano	Member - 3 <sup>rd</sup> District
Hon. Andrew Martin Y. Torres	Member - 4 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Julius Martin D. Asistio	Member-PCL
Hon. Richard Julius L. Sablan	Member - ABC
On Acting Capacity as Governor:	
Hon. Jeffrey P. Ferrer	Vice Governor

**RESOLUTION NO. 0412**  
**Series of 2024**

**RESOLUTION DECLARING THE PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL UNDER THE STATUS OF STABLE INTERNAL PEACE AND SECURITY, WITHOUT NECESSARILY REDUCING THE NUMBER OF ACTIVE MILITARY PERSONNEL IN THE PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL, EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY, VALID UNTIL REVOKED, AS AMENDED, OR OTHERWISE MODIFIED**

*WHEREAS*, it has been confirmed by The Joint Peace Security Council that the justification behind the declaratory resolution of Negros Occidental as a safe area with stable internal peace and security is a prelude to socio-economic recovery, as fewer insurgent activities have been noticed across the entire province of Negros Occidental;

*WHEREAS*, this declaratory resolution does not guarantee the absence of pockets of armed conflict, but it is evident that such incidents have significantly reduced due to the collaborative efforts of civilian, military, and law enforcement entities, including the Philippine National Police, security agencies, non-government organizations, and other entities in a common fight to free the province of Negros Occidental from communist insurgency groups such as the CPP, NPA, or NDF;

*WHEREAS*, this is a common practice in assessing the level of insurgency, as categorically defined by the Armed Forces of the Philippines through the army, the Joint Peace and Order Security Council Combined AFP, PNP, and Coast Guard. It serves as a necessary declaratory statement that documents the progress of our peace efforts;

*WHEREAS*, the significant reduction in communist activities in the province of Negros Occidental is the result of a common and concerted effort, as evidenced by the employment of strategists and personnel, including the Armed Forces of the Philippines, present across the entire Negros Occidental;



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**WHEREAS**, it is imperative to note that the declaration of reservation would still be in effect without necessarily reducing the number of active military personnel, citing the three battalions in the former and their allied detachments spread over the 32 local governments in the province of Negros Occidental;

**WHEREAS**, that the declaration of stable internal peace and security in Negros Occidental shall remain in effect until revoked, amended, or otherwise modified by the appropriate authorities, with the understanding that continued vigilance and collaboration among all relevant parties are essential to sustain peace and stability in the province.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, on motion of Hon. Sixto Teofilo Roxas V. Guanzon, Jr., unanimously seconded by all the members present,


**THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN RESOLVED**, as it hereby resolves, to pass and approve this Resolution to wit:

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**ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.**

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

  
**HON. ANTHONY DENNIS J. OCCENO**  
Temporary Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

  
**ATTY. MAKI ANGEL O. ASCALON**  
Provincial Secretary