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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE
SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF THE PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL
HELD IN THE CITY OF BACOLOD ON THE 24th DAY OF JUNE 2025**

PRESENT:

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

**RESOLUTION NO. 0679
Series of 2025**

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GOVERNOR TO SIGN, FOR AND IN BEHALF OF THE PROVINCE THE SCHOLARSHIP AGREEMENT TO BE ENTERED INTO BY AND BETWEEN THE PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL AND THE GRANTEES OF THE ABANSE NEGRENSE I.T. SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM RELATIVE TO THE GRANT OF SCHOLARSHIP AWARD OF THE PROVINCE TO DESERVING NEGRENSE YOUTH, PARTICULARLY THOSE WHO ARE INCOMING FIRST-YEAR COLLEGE STUDENTS TAKING UP INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION PROGRAMS AT MAPUA MALAYAN DIGITAL COLLEGE (MMDC)

WHEREAS, thereby presented for appropriate action of the Board is the request for authority to the Provincial Governor to sign, for and in behalf of the province the Scholarship Agreement to be entered into by and between the Province of Negros Occidental and the grantees of the Abanse Negrense I.T. Scholarship Program relative to the grant of scholarship award of the province to deserving Negrense youth, particularly those who are incoming first-year college student taking up Information Technology and Business Administration Programs at Mapua Malayan Digital College (MMDC);

WHEREAS, the agreement is in line with the constitutional mandate, specifically Article II, Section 17 and Article XIV, Section 1 which provides that:

“The State shall give priority to education, science and technology, arts, culture, and sports to foster patriotism and nationalism, accelerate social progress, and promote total human liberation and development”

“The State shall protect and promote the right of all citizens to quality education at all levels, and shall take appropriate steps to make such education accessible to all”

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WHEREAS, in support of these constitutional directives, RA 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, empowers local government units to implement programs that promote the general welfare. Section 16 provides that the local government units shall exercise powers essential to the promotion of the general welfare, including enhancing economic prosperity and promoting full employment – objectives clearly aligned with a scholarship program;

WHEREAS, the Negros Occidental Scholarship Program offers an opportunity for the Negrense youth whose skills and potentials, when developed and harnessed will make a difference in the Provincial Government's plan for Digital Revolution while at the same time improve the quality of life of their families;

WHEREAS, in view of the foregoing, the SP Committee on Education, finding the same to be in order, deemed it best to approve the same;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Hon. Rita Angela S. Gatuslao, duly seconded by all the members present;

THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN RESOLVED, as it hereby resolves, to authorize the Provincial Governor to sign, for and in behalf of the province the Scholarship Agreement to be entered into by and between the Province of Negros Occidental and the grantees of the Abanse Negrense I.T. Scholarship Program relative to the grant of scholarship award of the province to deserving Negrense youth, particularly those who are incoming first-year college student taking up Information Technology and Business Administration Programs at Mapua Malayan Digital College (MMDC).

ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:


HON. JEFFREY P. FERRER
Vice Governor/Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:


ATTY. MAKI ANGELO O. ASCALON
Provincial Secretary

APPROVED:


HON. EUGENIO JOSE V. LACSON
Provincial Governor

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