

## Republic of the Philippines PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL Old Capitol Building, Bacolod City Tel. No. 707-8075 (Admin) \* 435-7698 (Board Member) \* 709-0121 (Legislative Division) 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 - 1st District Member - 1st District Hon. Araceli T. Somosa Member - 2<sup>nd</sup> District Hon. Sixto Teofilo Roxas V. Guanzon, Jr. Member - 2<sup>nd</sup> District Hon. Samson C. Mirhan Member - 3<sup>rd</sup> District Hon. Manuel Frederick O. Ko Member - 3<sup>rd</sup> District Hon. Andrew Gerard L. Montelibano Member - 4th District Hon. Jose Benito A. Alonso Member - 4th District Hon. Andrew Martin Y. Torres Member - 5<sup>th</sup> District Hon. Rita Angela S. Gatuslao Member - 5th District Hon. Anthony Dennis J. Occeño Member - 6th District Hon. Valentino Miguel J. Alonso Hon. Jeffrey T. Tubola Member - 6th 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. 0685 Series of 2025

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GOVERNOR TO SIGN, FOR AND IN BEHALF OF THE PROVINCE THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING TO BE ENTERED INTO BY AND BETWEEN THE PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL AND THE INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE OF ADVANCED EDUCATION (ICAE) IN NORTHERN TERRITORY, AUSTRALIA RELATIVE TO THE COLLABORATIVE ENGAGEMENT OF BOTH PARTIES WHICH SEEKS TO DELIVER INTERNATIONALLY ACCREDITED TECHNICAL-VOCATIONAL EDUCATION THROUGH A FORMAL ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN ICAE AND NOLITC

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 Memorandum of Understanding to be entered into by and between the Province of Negros Occidental and the International College of Advanced Education (ICAE) in Northern Territory, Australia relative to the collaborative engagement of both parties which seeks to deliver internationally accredited technical-vocational education through a formal arrangement between ICAE and NOLITC;

WHEREAS, this agreement outlines the framework for educational collaboration, subject to compliance with the laws and regulations of the Australian Skills and Quality Authority (ASQA), the Commonwealth of Australia, and TESDA;

**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"





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"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"

WHEREAS, by expanding access to internationally accredited technical training, the program contributes directly to national educational priorities and enhances global career readiness for Filipino students;

WHEREAS, the agreement shall take effect from the contract acceptance date and will be valid for two (2) years with the option for another two (2) years;

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 Memorandum of Understanding to be entered into by and between the Province of Negros Occidental and the International College of Advanced Education (ICAE) in Northern Territory, Australia relative to the collaborative engagement of both parties which seeks to deliver internationally accredited technical-vocational education through a formal arrangement between ICAE and NOLITC.

#### ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

HON. JEHTREY P. DERRER
Vice Governor/Presiding Officer

ATTESTED:

ATTY. MAKI ANGEL O. ASCALON

Provincial Secretary

APPROVED:

HON. EUGENIÓ JOSE V. LACSON

Provincial Governor

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