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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 12th DAY OF AUGUST, 2025***

**PRESENT:**

Hon. Jose Benito A. Alonso	Vice Governor/Presiding Officer
Hon. Araceli T. Somosa	Member - 1 <sup>st</sup> District
Hon. Laurence Marxlen J. Dela Cruz	Member - 1 <sup>st</sup> District
Hon. Sixto Teofilo Roxas V. Guanzon, Jr.	Member - 2 <sup>nd</sup> District
Hon. Arthur Christopher D. Marañon	Member - 2 <sup>nd</sup> District
Hon. Andrew Gerard L. Montelibano	Member - 3 <sup>rd</sup> District
Hon. Hope Marey B. Depasucat	Member - 3 <sup>rd</sup> District
Hon. Patricia Paula M. Alonso-Valderrama	Member - 4 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Nicholas M. Yulo	Member - 4 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Rita Angela S. Gatuslao	Member - 5 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Hadji P. Trojillo	Member - 5 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Genaro G. Alvarez IV	Member - 6 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Jeffrey T. Tubola	Member - 6 <sup>th</sup> District
Hon. Richard Julius L. Sablan	Member - ABC Rep.
Hon. Mayvelyn L. Madrid	Member - SK Rep.
ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS:	
Hon. Julius Martin D. Asistio	Member - PCL Rep

**RESOLUTION NO. 0834  
Series of 2025**

***RESOLUTION APPROVING ON SECOND READING THE PROPOSED ORDINANCE  
INSTITUTIONALIZING THE ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF "INDIGENOUS PEOPLES  
MONTH" IN THE PROVINCE OF NEGROS OCCIDENTAL, DECLARING OCTOBER AS  
THE OFFICIAL MONTH OF INDIGENOUS PEOPLES, AFFIRMING THE  
CELEBRATION OF "IP YOUTH DAY" AND THE "INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE  
WORLD'S INDIGENOUS PEOPLES," ESTABLISHING MECHANISMS FOR  
PARTICIPATION, FUNDING, AND PROGRAMMATIC IMPLEMENTATION, AND FOR  
OTHER PURPOSES***

***WHEREAS***, thereby presented for review and appropriate action of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan is the proposed ordinance institutionalizing the annual celebration of "Indigenous Peoples Month" in the Province of Negros Occidental, declaring October as the official month of Indigenous Peoples, affirming the celebration of "IP Youth Day" and the "International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples," establishing mechanisms for participation, funding, and programmatic implementation, and for other purposes;

***WHEREAS***, in view of the foregoing, the SP Committee on Senior Citizens, Indigenous People and Persons With Disability (PWD), recommends approval of the same on second reading;

***NOW, THEREFORE***, on motion of Hon. Rita Angela S. Gatuslao, and unanimously seconded by all the members present.

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**THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN RESOLVED**, as it hereby resolves, to approve on second reading the proposed ordinance institutionalizing the annual celebration of “Indigenous Peoples Month” in the Province of Negros Occidental, declaring October as the official month of Indigenous Peoples, affirming the celebration of “IP Youth Day” and the “International Day of the World’s Indigenous Peoples,” establishing mechanisms for participation, funding, and programmatic implementation, and for other purposes.

**ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.**

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

  
**HON. JOSE BENITO A. ALONSO**  
Vice Governor/Presiding Officer

ATTESTED BY:

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