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***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 19th 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. de la 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. Julius Martin D. Asistio	Member - PCL Rep
Hon. Richard Julius L. Sablan	Member - ABC Rep.
Hon. Mayvelyn L. Madrid	Member - SK Rep.

**RESOLUTION NO. 0868**  
**Series of 2025**

***RESOLUTION APPROVING AND GRANTING THE ACCREDITATION OF PHILIPPINE  
REEF AND RAINFOREST CONSERVATION FOUNDATION, INC.***

***WHEREAS***, Section 34 of the Local Government Code of 1991 (Book 1, Chapter 4) states that local government units shall promote the establishment and operation of people's and non-governmental organizations to become active partners in the pursuit of local autonomy;

***WHEREAS***, on June 23, 2025, the Department of the Interior and Local Government issued Memorandum Circular No. 2025-060, on the Guidelines on the Accreditation of Civil Society Organizations and Selection of Representatives to the Local Special Bodies;

***WHEREAS***, the Philippine Reef and Rainforest Conservation Foundation, Inc., with office address at Unit E1, Macopa St., La Salle Avenue, Brgy. Villamonte, Bacolod City, Negros Occidental through Gerardo Ledesma its President has signified its intention to be an accredited CSO in the Province of Negros Occidental to pursue an active partnership with the Local Government Unit in the pursuit of local autonomy and nation building;

***WHEREAS***, the Philippine Reef and Rainforest Conservation Foundation, Inc. has satisfactorily complied with the requirements and criteria for accreditation as a civil society organization in accordance with the procedures and guidelines set forth in DILG MC 2025-060;

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

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**WHEREFORE**, on motion of Hon. Jeffrey T. Tubola, unanimously seconded by all members present,

**THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN RESOLVED**, as it hereby resolves, to approve and grant the accreditation of Philippine Reef and Rainforest Conservation Foundation, Inc. in the Province of Negros Occidental;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that this accreditation is effective only until June 30, 2028.

**RESOLVED FURTHERMORE**, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Honorable Governor, Eugenio Jose V. Lacson; Gerardo Ledesma, President of Philippine Reef and Rainforest Conservation Foundation, Inc. and the Provincial Legal Officer for information and guidance.

**ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.**

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

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

ATTESTED:

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