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Old Capitol Building, Bacolod City
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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 30th DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2025

PRESENT:

Hon. Genaro G. Alvarez IV Presiding Officer Pro Tempore Member - 1st District Hon, Araceli T. Somosa Member - 1st District Hon. Laurence Marxlen J. de la Cruz Member - 2nd District Hon. Sixto Teofilo Roxas V. Guanzon, Jr. Hon. Arthur Christopher D. Marañon Member - 2nd District Member - 3rd District Hon. Andrew Gerard L. Montelibano Member - 3rd District Hon. Hope Marey B. Depasucat Hon. Patricia Paula M. Alonso-Valderrama Member - 4th District Member - 4th District Hon. Nicholas M. Yulo Member - 5th District Hon. Rita Angela S. Gatuslao Member - 5th District Hon. Hadji P. Trojillo Hon. Jeffrey T. Tubola Member - 6th District ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS:

Hon. Jose Benito A. Alonso

Hon. Richard Julius L. Sablan

Hon. Mayvelyn L. Madrid

Hon. Julius Martin D. Asistio

Vice Governor

Member - ABC Rep.

Member - SK Rep.

Member - PCL Rep.

RESOLUTION NO. 1022 Series of 2025

RESOLUTION ADVISING THE SIX (6) MEMBERS OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLUNGSOD OF THE CITY OF KABANKALAN, NEGROS OCCIDENTAL CONSIDERED AS OPPOSITORS TO THE CONCURRENCE OF RESOLUTION NO. 2025-384, ENTITLED: "AUTHORIZING THE CITY MAYOR OF KABANKALAN TO NEGOTIATE AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT OF BORROWING OR LOAN WITH THE DEVELOPMENT BANK OF THE PHILIPPINES IN THE AMOUNT OF TWO BILLION PESOS (P2,000,000,000.00) FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FLOOD-FREE KABANKALAN PROJECT," THAT ACTION THEREON BE HELD IN ABEYANCE PENDING SUBMISSION OF SAID RESOLUTION FOR REVIEW

WHEREAS, the letter dated September 4, 2025 addressed to Atty. Maki-Angel Ascalon, Secretary to the Sanggunian Panalawigan, Province of Negros Occidental have strongly emphasized the opposition of the concurrence or ratification by the 37th Sangguniang Panlalawigan on the anticipated incoming submission of Resolution No. 2025-384 of the City of Kabankalan, Negros Occidental;

WHEREAS, it is an especially laudable action that the free exercise of democracy, through the right to redress grievances, is guaranteed under the Constitution as a matter of due process;

WHEREAS, in a three-page letter, duly signed by the six (6) members considered as oppositors, namely: Hon. Anne Marie Zayco, Hon. Marie Vic Ramos, Hon. Jenelyn Lagardo-Sacadan, Hon. Ernie Libona, Hon. Adolfo Mangao Jr., and Hon. Joan Cagape have indicated their points on opposing the enactment of the above-mentioned resolution;

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WHEREAS, from the contents of the said letter, it can be summarized that the reason therein is the lack of the required votes of the qualified majority members, and that the resolution should have been crafted with greater meticulousness, clearly indicating the intended distribution of funds for flood control, together with the other supporting documents to show transparency, honesty and sincerity in the proposed loan with the Development Bank of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the said letter is being attended with adequate attention by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan as part of its sincere attentiveness to reply every letter in accordance with the provision of law;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Hon. Jeffrey Tubola duly seconded by Laurence Marxlen de la Cruz;

THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN RESOLVED, as it hereby resolves, to approve this resolution to wit:

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ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY.

This resolution shall take effect immediately upon approval.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:

HON. GENARO G. ALVAREZ IV

Presiding Officer Pro Tempore

ATTESTED:

ATPY. MAKT ANGEL O. ASCALON

Provincial Secretary