

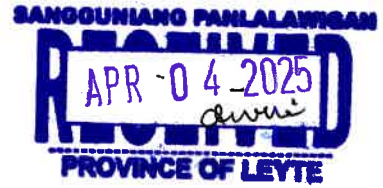
Item No.: 17

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HON. LEONARDO M. JAVIER JR.

Vice Governor
Province of Leyte



Attention: Honorable Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

Subject: Request for Resolution of Recognition and Endorsement for Leyteños' Participation in COP30 in Brazil

Dear Honorable Vice Governor Javier and Distinguished Members of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan,

Maupay nga adlaw!

We are writing to respectfully request a Resolution of Recognition and Endorsement from the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte in acknowledgement of the contributions of Leyteños in the field of communications at the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP) and to endorse our continued participation in COP30, which will take place in Brazil in 2025.

As a province that has endured the catastrophic effects of climate change—most notably the devastation of Super Typhoon Yolanda (Haiyan)—Leyte stands as a testament to both the vulnerability and resilience of communities facing extreme weather events. The increasing climate-related risks demand active engagement in global discussions, ensuring that the realities and experiences of climate-vulnerable provinces like Leyte are heard and considered in international policy-making.


Leyteños have long demonstrated excellence in climate advocacy, media, and communications, effectively bringing the stories of frontline communities to global platforms such as the UN Climate Change Conferences (COPs). Their participation in previous summits has been instrumental in elevating the voices of vulnerable communities and mobilizing youth and grassroots movements.

In light of these contributions and the urgency of continued representation, we humbly seek the support of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte in passing a Resolution of Recognition and Endorsement for Leyteños who have actively contributed to global climate discourse and to officially endorse their participation in COP30 in Brazil. This resolution will reinforce the importance of Leyte's role in shaping climate solutions and provide formal support for securing avenues of participation in future climate dialogues.

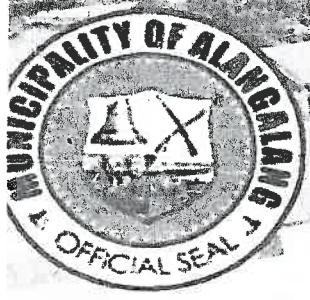
We have attached a copy of the SB Resolutions of Alangalang and Burauen for your guidance. Should you require additional information, we are more than happy to provide relevant details and supporting documents.

Thank you for your time, consideration, and unwavering commitment to the welfare of Leyteños and the advancement of climate resilience. We look forward to your positive response and the province's continued leadership in global climate action.

Sincerely,


Kriste Lind Cabalona
Philippine Head of Delegation (Alangalang)
Lead, YOUNGO TV


Andres Rey Cagara
Global Head of Logistics (Burauen)
YOUNGO Communications



24th SANGGUNIANG BAYAN



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PROVINCE OF LEYTE
Municipality of Alangalang
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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF ALANGALANG, LEYTE HELD AT THE LEGISLATIVE BUILDING SESSION HALL ON MARCH 10, 2025.

PRESENT:

- Vice Mayor Mario V. Bague - Presiding Officer
- SB Member Gina Balderamos
- SB Member Ketchie Rex A. Barrantes
- SB Member Claire G. Yu
- SB Member Kenneth Spice M. de Veyra
- SB Member Kent Jefflord C. Guillermo
- SB Member Elmer D. Matobato
- SB Member Ricardo Neil O. Eusores
- Punong Barangay Sarah T. Apurillo - LIGA President
- SK Chairman Charlze Jericho Duane A. Tan - PPSK President

ABSENT: SB Member Sheila Antoni-Rebato

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-121

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF ALANGALANGANONS IN THE FIELD OF COMMUNICATIONS AT THE UNITED NATIONS CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE (COP) AND ENDORSING THEIR PARTICIPATION IN COP30 IN BRAZIL.

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Alangalang, Leyte has long experienced the impacts of extreme weather events, with Super Typhoon Yolanda (Haiyan) serving as a stark reminder of the vulnerability of our communities to climate-induced disasters;

WHEREAS, the increasing frequency and severity of typhoons, floods and other environmental hazards continue to threaten the lives, livelihoods, and cultural heritage of Alangalang, necessitating proactive disaster risk reduction and climate action at the local and global levels;

WHEREAS, the 1987 Philippine Constitution mandates the protection of the environment and the promotion of sustainable development, while Republic Act No. 10121, also known as the Philippine Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act of 2010, underscores the critical role of local government units in disaster preparedness, mitigation and response;

WHEREAS, Alangalang has been home to resilient and proactive individuals who have championed climate advocacy and action, including those who have made significant contributions in the field of communications at the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP);

WHEREAS, effective communication is a vital tool in amplifying the voices of climate-vulnerable communities, ensuring that local experiences, challenges, and solutions are represented in global climate discussions;

WHEREAS, the continued participation of Alangalanganons in COP conferences, particularly in media and communications, strengthens the advocacy for climate justice, reliance, and sustainable development on behalf of local communities facing the brunt of climate change;

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Alangalang upholds the value of youth and community engagement in addressing climate challenges, in alignment with the national agenda on environmental protection and disaster resilience;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of SB Member Kent Jefflord C. Guillermo duly seconded en masse by all Sangguniang Bayan Members present, be it -

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Sangguniang Bayan endorses and fully supports the participation of Alangalanganons in COP30 in Brazil, underscoring the need for continued local representation in global climate discussions.

RESOLVED FINALLY, that copies of this resolution be furnished to the Office of the Mayor, the Leyte Provincial Government, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), the Climate Change Commission (CCC) and other relevant agencies for their information and appropriate action.

APPROVED.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing duly adopted by the Sangguniang Bayan in its regular session on March 10, 2025.

DANI R. DE VEYRA
Secretary to the Sanggunian
Municipal Gov't. Department Head I

**ATTESTED AND CERTIFIED
TO BE DULY ADOPTED:**



GINA BALDERAMOS
SB Member


CLAIRE G. YU
SB Member



KENT JEFFLORD C. GUILLERMO
SB Member

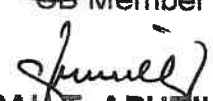

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Municipal Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer





OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

MUNICIPAL RESOLUTION NO. 25-03-089
(142nd Regular Session; 24 March 2025)

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF BURAWANONS AND LEYTEÑOS IN THE FIELD OF COMMUNICATIONS AT THE UNITED NATIONS CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE (COP) AND ENDORSING THEIR PARTICIPATION IN COP30 IN BRAZIL

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Burauen and the Province of Leyte have long been at the forefront of climate challenges, having endured extreme weather events, including the devastation brought by Super Typhoon Yolanda (Haiyan), which underscored the urgent need for stronger climate action and disaster resilience;

WHEREAS, climate change continues to pose severe risks to Burauen and other municipalities in Leyte, threatening agriculture, biodiversity, water resources, and the livelihoods of local communities, thereby necessitating sustained efforts in climate advocacy, disaster preparedness, and sustainable development;

WHEREAS, Burawanons and fellow Leyteños have actively contributed to the global climate discourse, particularly in the field of communications, media, and youth engagement, amplifying the voices of frontline communities and advocating for climate justice on international platforms such as the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP);

WHEREAS, effective climate communication is instrumental in influencing policies, mobilizing grassroots actions and ensuring that the unique challenges faced by Burauen and Leyte are addressed in global climate negotiations;

WHEREAS, the participation of Burawanons and Leyteños in COP conferences, particularly in media, advocacy and negotiations, is a testament to the region's dedication to climate resilience and sustainability and reinforces the role of local voices in shaping international climate strategies;

WHEREAS, continued representation at COP30 in Brazil is crucial to sustaining the engagement of Burauen and Leyte in global climate discussions, ensuring that the stories and solutions from our communities remain integral to decision-making at the highest levels;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, that the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen formally recognizes the outstanding contributions of Burawanons and Leyteños in the field of climate communications at the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP);

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Sangguniang Bayan strongly endorses and supports the continued participation of Burawanons and Leyteños in COP30 in Brazil, recognizing their vital role in advocating for climate resilience, disaster preparedness and sustainable development;

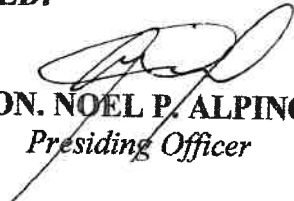
RESOLVED FINALLY, that copies of this resolution be furnished to the Office of the Mayor, the Leyte Provincial Government, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), the Climate Change Commission (CCC), Brazilian Embassy in Manila and other relevant agencies for their information and appropriate action.

CARRIED APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY, this 24th day of March 2025.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Resolution was approved by the Sangguniang Bayan of Burauen, Leyte, during its 142nd Regular Session dated March 24, 2025.


ATTY. RUDEJANE S. TAN
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:


HON. NOEL P. ALPINO
Presiding Officer

**REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
PROVINCE OF LEYTE
SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN
SESSION HALL, CAPITOL BUILDING, PALO, LEYTE**

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF LEYTEÑOS IN THE FIELD OF COMMUNICATIONS AT THE UNITED NATIONS CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE (COP) AND ENDORSING THEIR PARTICIPATION IN COP30 IN BRAZIL

WHEREAS, the Province of Leyte has historically been vulnerable to extreme weather events, including Super Typhoon Yolanda (Haiyan) in 2013, which resulted in significant loss of lives, destruction of livelihoods, and long-term socio-economic challenges;

WHEREAS, climate change continues to pose serious threats to the province, exacerbating the frequency and intensity of typhoons, rising sea levels, and other environmental hazards that endanger communities, infrastructure, and natural resources;

WHEREAS, Article II, Section 16 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution declares that the State shall protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature;

WHEREAS, the youth play a crucial role in nation-building, as recognized in the Philippine Constitution and various national policies, serving as active partners in advocacy, innovation, and leadership in addressing environmental and climate challenges;

WHEREAS, Leyteños have demonstrated outstanding contributions in the field of communications, effectively amplifying climate discourse, mobilizing youth engagement, and shaping global narratives on climate action through their participation in the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP);

WHEREAS, the participation of Leyteños in COP conferences, particularly in media and communications, has significantly contributed to elevating the voices of vulnerable communities, advocating for climate justice, and fostering international collaboration for climate resilience;

WHEREAS, continued representation at COP30 in Brazil is essential to sustain Leyte's active involvement in global climate discussions, ensuring that the realities and perspectives of climate-vulnerable provinces are heard at the highest level of policymaking;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, that the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte formally recognizes the significant contributions of Leyteños in the field of communications at the United Nations Climate Change Conference (COP);

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the Sangguniang Panlalawigan endorses and supports the participation of Leyteños in COP30 in Brazil, underscoring the importance of sustained engagement in global climate dialogues and decision-making processes;

RESOLVED FINALLY, that copies of this resolution be furnished to the Office of the Governor, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Regional and Central Office, the National Youth Commission, the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA), Climate Change Commission, Embassy of Brazil in Manila, and the Office of the President and other concerned agencies for their information and appropriate action.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2025, at the Sangguniang Panlalawigan Session Hall, Leyte Provincial Capitol, Tacloban City.

APPROVED:

HON. [NAME]

Vice Governor & Presiding Officer

HON. [NAMES]

Members, Sangguniang Panlalawigan

Attested by:

[NAME]

Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

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