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TO: THE OFFICE OF SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

THRU:

FLORINDA JILL S. UYVICO
Provincial SP SECRETARY

Dear Maam:

Greetings! Respectfully transmitting herewith, the attach Resolution No. 2025-123-B as we would like to request additional information and clarification for appropriate response of this office.

Perusal of the Resolution, no mention as to affected municipalities were mentioned and copy of the case was not attached for reference of the this Office.

Thus, we would like to request **further details on the concern** covered in this attached Resolution as well as **copy of the case** mentioned for review, reference and assessment as to the needed intervention.

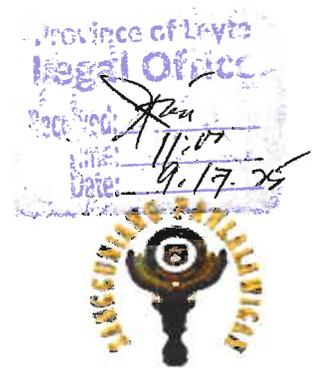
Thank you so much!

Very truly yours,


RHEA LINA U. ENAGE
Acting Asst. Provincial Legal Officer



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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 125th REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF LEYTE CONDUCTED AT THE SESSION HALL, LEYTE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT COMPLEX, PALO, LEYTE ON MARCH 3, 2025.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-123-B

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROVINCE OF LEYTE TO INTERVENE IN THE CASE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE VERSUS MERCEDER FISHING CORPORATION AND TO AUTHORIZE THE PROVINCIAL LEGAL OFFICER, ATTY. JOSE RAYMUND A. ACOL, THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN ON AGRICULTURE, ATTY. CARLO P. LORETO AND THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN ON RULES, LAWS AND PRIVILEGES, ATTY. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR TO REPRESENT THE PROVINCE ON THE SAID CASE.

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture (DA) has instituted legal proceedings against Merceder Fishing Corporation involving alleged violations of fisheries and environmental laws;

WHEREAS, the outcome of the said case may directly affect the livelihood of fisherfolk, the sustainability of marine resources, and the enforcement of agricultural and fisheries policies within the Province of Leyte;

WHEREAS, it is the duty of the Provincial Government of Leyte, through the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, to safeguard the welfare of its constituents, promote sustainable development, and ensure that due process and fairness are observed in matters of public interest;

WHEREAS, the Provincial Legal Officer, the Committee on Agriculture, the Committee on Rules, Laws and Privileges are deemed competent and authorized representatives to act on behalf of the Province in any intervention relative to the said case;

NOW THEREFORE, upon motion of Atty. Carlo P. Loreto, duly seconded by Atty. Ronnan Christian M. Reposar, be it

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, **TO AUTHORIZE THE PROVINCE OF LEYTE TO INTERVENE IN THE CASE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE VERSUS MERCEDER FISHING CORPORATION AND TO AUTHORIZE THE PROVINCIAL LEGAL OFFICER, ATTY. JOSE RAYMUND A. ACOL, THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIFAN COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN ON AGRICULTURE, ATTY. CARLO P. LORETO AND THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN ON RULES, LAWS AND PRIVILEGES, ATTY. RONNAN CHRISTIAN M. REPOSAR TO REPRESENT THE PROVINCE ON THE SAID CASE.**

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authorizing the Province of Leyte to intervene in the case
of DA vs. Merceder Fishing Co. and to authorize PLO, Atty. Raymund Acol,
the SP Chairman of the Committee on Agriculture, Atty. Carlo P. Loreto,
SP Chairman on Rules, Laws and Privileges Atty. Ronnan Christian M. Reposar to
represent the Province of Leyte on the said case

Approved unanimously.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.

ATTESTED:


HON. MICHAEL L. CARI
5th District Board Member
Temporary Presiding Officer


FLORINDA JILLS UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian

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Province of Leyte

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Regional Office No. VIII
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Merceder Fishing Corporation