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SIR:

Greetings!


In reference to the Memorandum dated September 12, 2025 of Dir. EDGAR B. TABACON, CESO IV, Regional Director, DPWH R08, Baras, Palo, Leyte, this Office conveys its full support for the Resolution of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte **requesting the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) to re-open and operationalize the Port of Carigara, Leyte.**

We recognize the strategic importance of reviving the port to ease logistical congestion at the San Juanico Bridge corridor, improve inter-island connectivity, and further stimulate trade and economic activity across the province and neighboring areas. The reactivation of the Port of Carigara presents substantial benefits in terms of transport efficiency, and market accessibility.

In this regard, we convey our readiness to extend technical assistance to the Technical Working Group that may be created or is currently being organized for this purpose. This Office stands prepared to provide the necessary technical inputs, coordination, and collaboration to help advance the objectives of the project.

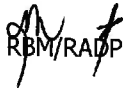
For coordination and further details, you may contact Engr. Ronald Allan D. Pesedas, OIC-Chief, Planning & Design Section thru his number 0917-321-7764/0931-835-9269.

Thank you, and we look forward to continued collaboration.


LEO EDWARD L. OPPURA
 District Engineer
 Leyte 2nd District Engineering Office

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1. **Dir. EDGAR B. TABACON, CESO IV**
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MEMORANDUM

By: *RANUR A. CUESTA*
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TO : District Engineer LEO EDWARD L. OPPURA
 DPWH Leyte 2nd District Engineering Office

SUBJECT : Resolution Requesting the Philippine Ports Authority to Re-open and Operationalize the Port of Carigara, Leyte

Forwarded herewith is Resolution No. 2025-239 dated May 27, 2025, issued by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Leyte through Secretary Florinda Jill Uyvico, earnestly requesting the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) to re-open and operationalize the Port of Carigara, Leyte, with the aim of easing logistical congestion at the San Juanico Bridge and enhancing the efficiency of inter-island transportation and commerce at the soonest possible time.

Given that the Port of Carigara falls within the jurisdiction of the Leyte 2nd District Engineering Office, you are hereby directed to:

- Acknowledge and take due cognizance of the Resolution's intent and strategic significance; and
- Initiate constructive coordination with the Philippine Ports Authority and other relevant stakeholders, ensuring that any requisite technical inputs, infrastructure support, or inter-agency facilitation from DPWH are duly considered and extended.

Kindly furnish this Office with updates on any preliminary discussions or agreements arising from your engagement with PPA, in the interest of sustained intergovernmental synergy and public service excellence.

For information, respectful consideration and prompt action.

EDGAR B. TABACON, CESO IV
 Regional Director
 DPWH Regional Office VIII

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OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 133rd REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF LEYTE CONDUCTED AT THE SESSION HALL, LEYTE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT COMPLEX, PALO, LEYTE ON MAY 27, 2025.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-239

A RESOLUTION EARNESTLY REQUESTING THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA) TO RE-OPEN AND OPERATIONALIZE THE PORT OF CARIGARA, LEYTE TO EASE LOGISTICAL CONGESTION AT THE SAN JUANICO BRIDGE AND FACILITATE EFFICIENT INTER-ISLAND TRANSPORTATION AND COMMERCE THE SOONEST POSSIBLE.

WHEREAS, the San Juanico Bridge serves as the main transport artery between Luzon and the the islands of Leyte and Samar and is vital to the movement of people, goods and services throughout Eastern Visayas;

WHEREAS, the closure of the bridge has caused traffic build-up and congestion due to rising economic activity, high cargo volume, and limited alternative transport routes, resulting in logistical delays and economic inefficiencies;

WHEREAS, the Port of Carigara, located in the Second District of Leyte, presents a viable alternative as a cargo and inter-island logistics hub that could help decongest the gridlock caused by the closure of the San Juanico Bridge;

WHEREAS, initial assessments show that while the Carigara Port may require minor rehabilitation or upgrades, its existing facilities are structurally feasible for immediate or short-term use;

WHEREAS, re-opening the Port of Carigara will not only ease logistical burdens but will also contribute to regional economic development, promote local industry, and enhance disaster response capabilities by providing another access point for relief and goods movement;

WHEREAS, there is a need for national and local government agencies to collaborate toward the sustainable and strategic use of available infrastructure in the province;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion presented by Honorable Wilson S. Uy, duly seconded by Atty. Carlo P. Loreto, be it

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, to **EARNESTLY REQUEST THE PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA) TO TAKE APPROPRIATE MEASURES ON AN URGENT BASIS TOWARD THE RE-OPENING AND OPERATIONALIZATION OF THE PORT OF CARIGARA, LEYTE FOR CARGO AND COMMERCIAL USE.**

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earnestly requesting the PPA, to take appropriate measures toward
the re-opening and operationalization of the Port of Carigara
for cargo and commercial use

**RESOLVED FURTHER, TO FURNISH COPIES OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE
PHILIPPINE PORTS AUTHORITY (PPA), MARITIME INDUSTRY AUTHORITY (MARINA),
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS, OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR
OF LEYTE, AND OTHER CONCERNED AGENCIES FOR THEIR APPROPRIATE ACTION.**

**RESOLVED FINALLY, THAT THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF LEYTE
EXPRESSES ITS FULL SUPPORT FOR ANY INITIATIVE THAT WILL EASE REGIONAL
LOGISTICAL CONGESTION, PROMOTE TRADE, AND ENHANCE THE OVERALL
ECONOMIC RESILIENCE OF THE PROVINCE.**

Approved unanimously.

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.


FLORINDA JILLS UYVICO
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:


HON. LEONARDO M. JAVIER, JR.
Vice Governor/Presiding Officer

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