RESOLUTION NO. 2015-015

RESOLUTION GRANTING AUTHORITY TO THE GOVERNOR, HONORABLE ARTHUR D. DEFENSOR, SR., TO SIGN THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA), FOR AND IN BEHALF OF THE PROVINCE OF ILOILO, WITH THE PALM CONCEPCION POWER CORPORATION (PCPC), DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (DENR) REGION VI AND THE MUNICIPALITY OF CONCEPCION, ILOILO FOR THE EXPANSION OF THE PCPC GREEN PROGRAM FOR ACTIVE REFORESTATION AND CONSERVATION AT MT. APITONG, SUBJECT TO ALL THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS STIPULATED THEREIN

"Presented for consideration of the Body is Committee Report No. 02, Series of 2015, of the Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, chaired by the Honorable Jeneda Salcedo-Orendain, relative to the letter dated December 3, 2014, of Governor Arthur D. Defensor, Sr., requesting for authority to sign the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Palm Concepcion Power Corporation (PCPC), Iloilo Provincial Government, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Region VI and the Municipality of Concepcion, Iloilo for the expansion of the PCPC Green Program for Active Reforestation and Conservation at Mt. Apitong:

WHEREAS, it is opined by the Provincial Legal Office that the MOA is valid pursuant to Section 16 (General Welfare) in relation to Section 465(a) and (b) (1) (vi) (The Chief Executive: Powers, duties, Functions, and Compensation) of R.A. 7160 or the Local Government Code of 1991;

WHEREAS, further, PCPC is already a party to a 5-hectare Tree Planting project pursuant to a Memorandum of Agreement dated April 3, 2013 between and among the DENR-Region 6, the Municipality of Concepcion, and the Puntales Producers Cooperative covering (5) hectares at Barangay Nipa and Barangay Loong, Concepcion, Iloilo. In addition to the current project and on its own initiative, PCPC desires to establish another nursery/mini forest covering One Hundred (100) hectares in Mt. Apitong to serve as carbon sink as a joint project with the DENR-Region 6 (the “Upland Reforestation Program of the GREEN Program for Active Reforestation and Conservation – GREEN PARC”);

WHEREAS, in view of the foregoing, it is recommended that the Governor be granted authority to sign the said Memorandum of Agreement,

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NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of the Honorable June S. Mondejar, Floor Leader, together with the Honorable Maria Shalene Palmares-Hidalgo, Member, Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, which was duly seconded;

RESOLVED, as it is hereby Resolved, to grant authority to the Governor, Honorable Arthur D. Defensor, Sr., to sign the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), for and in behalf of the Province of Iloilo, with the Palm Concepcion Power Corporation (PCPC), the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Region VI and the Municipality of Concepcion, Iloilo for the expansion of the PCPC GREEN Program for Active Reforestation and Conservation at Mt. Apitong, subject to all the terms and conditions stipulated therein;

RESOLVED FURTHER, to furnish copies of this Resolution, the Governor, Hon. Arthur D. Defensor, Sr.; Mr. Roel Z. Castro, President, PCPC, Sitio Puntales, Barangay Nipa, Concepcion; Regional Executive Director Jim O. Sampulna, CESO III, DENR Region VI, Iloilo City; Mayor Milliard S. Villanueva, Concepcion; the Offices of the Provincial Legal Officer and the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer; and the Honorable Jeneda Salcedo-Orendain, Chairperson, Committee on Environment and Natural Resources, all of the Province of Iloilo, for their information and guidance;

APPROVED."

I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the above-quoted Resolution.

ATTY. RAUL C. TIOSAYCO, JR.
Secretary to the Sanggunian

CONCURRED BY:

JUNE S. MONDEJAR
Floor Leader

ATTESTED BY:

RAUL ‘Boboy’ C. TUPAS
Presiding Officer