17 August 2021

Hon. Roy A. CimatuSecretary
Department of Environment and Natural Resources

Dear Secretary Cimatu:

The Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives will be holding a virtual Committee Meeting via Zoom on **24 August 2021 (Tuesday)**, **9:30 in the morning**, for the consideration of the following measures:

- a. **HB No. 4100,** entitled: "An Act Declaring the Month of May of Every Year as the "Marine Turtle Awareness Month," authored by **Rep. Mujiv S. Hataman** and **Amihilda J. Sangcopan**;
- b. **HB No. 5603**, entitled: "An Act to Promote the Rights of Nature in the Philippines," authored by **Rep. Jose Christopher Y. Belmonte**;
- c. **HB No. 5884**, entitled: "An Act Authorizing the Community Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENRO) of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Having Jurisdiction Over the Parcel of Land Subject of the Application, to Issue Tree Cutting Permits to Landowners for the Cutting, Gathering and Utilization of Naturally Grown Trees in Private And/Or Titled Lands Subject to the Guidelines of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources," authored by **Rep. Cyrille "Beng" F. Abueg-Zaldivar**;
- d. **HB No. 8299**, entitled: "An Act to Institutionalize the Tamaraw Conservation Program, Creating Its Administrative and Implementation Mechanism, Providing Funds Therefor and For Other Purposes," authored by **Rep. Josephine Y. Ramirez-Sato**:
- e. **HB No. 6082**, entitled: "An Act Declaring the Island of Mindoro a Mining Free Zone and providing Penalties Therefor," authored by **Rep. Josephine Y. Ramirez-Sato**; and
- f. HB No. 6321, entitled: "An Act Prohibiting the Exportation of Black Sand and Its Derivatives in Its Raw Form to Other Countries," authored by Rep. Jose "Bonito" C. Singson, Jr.

In light of this, we would like to invite you or your representative to attend the said meeting. We would like also to request for your position paper or comments on the said measures on or before August 23, 2021.

The Zoom meeting link is as follows:

Topic: Committee on Natural Resources Meeting

Time: Aug 24, 2021 09:30 AM Asia/Manila

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83464601171?pwd=VzB5U0p5cCt5VjNlclp2SE

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Passcode: 572485

Please join the meeting at least fifteen (15) minutes before 9:30 A.M., and use this time to set up your camera and microphone, and to check your internet connection.

We are looking forward to having a fruitful discussion with you on the said measures.

For inquiries, we may be reached through our office email at naturalresources.hrep@gmail.com.

Thank you very much and stay safe.

Very truly yours,

FOR CHAIRPERSON REP. ELPIDIO F. BARZAGA, JR

RAUL G. TERSO
Committee Secretary

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