

## Republic of the Philippines House of Representatives Quezon City, Metro Manila

From the office of:

## HON. EDWARD S. HAGEDORN

Representative 3rd District of Palawan

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## DIR. NATIVIDAD BERNARDINO

Biodiversity Management Bureau (BMB)
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
North Avenue, Quezon City

Dear Director Bernardino,

Warmest greetings!

The undersigned Congressman of the Third District of Palawan has filed House Bill No. 6373 seeking to declare Kalayaan Island Group (KIG) as Protected Area, as shown in the attached proposed PA Map.

My office learned that the Biodiversity Management Bureau is also proposing to declare Kalayaan Island Group (KIG) as Protected Area and has undertaken initial Protected Area Suitability Assessment (PASA) thereat.

In this connection, we are willing to coordinate and collaborate with your office on January 11, 2023 at 10:00 o'clock in the morning until 12:00 o'clock noon, to discuss the Bill and the proposal of the Biodiversity Management Bureau in relation to the Kalayaan Island Group. In the meantime, may we please be furnished with the copies of the initial Protected Area Suitability Assessment (PASA) reports for information and comments prior to the January 11, 2023 meeting.

We are hoping for your kind consideration and cooperation on this matter. Thank you.

Ang inyong Kaibigan,



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- 1. Regional Executive Director Lormelyn Claudio -DENR MIMAROPA
- 2. Hon. Roberto M. Del Mundo Municipal Mayor, Kalayaan
- 3. Felizardo B. Cayatoc PENRO Palawan
- 4. Pedro A. Velasco CENRO Puerto Princesa City