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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to disestablish and declassify the Lipatan-Liangan River Mangrove Swamp Forest Reserve (LLRMSFR) as a protected area under the Department of the Environment and Natural Resources.

This legislative measure intends to amend and delete the Lipatan-Liangan River Mangrove Swamp Forest Reserve from the list of Protected Areas under Proclamation No. 2152 Series of 1981 issued by then President Ferdinand E. Marcos, Sr. The aforementioned protected area was not included as an initial component in Republic Act No. 11038 or the Expanded National Integrated Protected Areas System (E-NIPAS) Act of 2018. In the said legislation, only those enumerated protected areas are to be declared the initial components of the E-NIPAS, and the remaining areas shall, within three (3) years from the effectivity of the E-NIPAS Act, be established as protected areas through an act of Congress. With the absence of any legislation from Congress, the LLRMSFR being a protected area precluded from the initial components of the E-NIPAS, should then be delisted as a protected area under the DENR.

In view of the foregoing premises, the prompt approval of this measure is earnestly sought and recommended.

MOHAMAD KHALID O DIMAPORO

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AN ACT

DISESTABLISHING THE LIPATAN-LIANGAN RIVER MANGROVE SWAMP FOREST RESERVE AS A PROTECTED AREA, AMENDING FOR THIS PURPOSE PROCLAMATION NO. 2152 SERIES OF 1981

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

SECTION 1. Paragraph Two of Proclamation No. 2152 Series of 1981 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"The entire province of Palawan; from Palsabangan River up to Mazintuto River at long. 121° 42'44" to 121° 44'16" and Lat. 13° 58'10" to 13° 59'19" Bacong River up to Sandoval Point at Long. 122° 11'43" and Lat. 13° 37'48" Long. 122° 17'05" and Lat. 13° 34'26". Long. 122° 17'40" and Lat. 13° 36'28", from Pala Point up to Mulanay River, Bondoc Peninsula at Long. 122° 19'36" and Lat. 13° 34'00", Long. 122° 19'41" and Lat. 13° 33'36" Long. 122° 21'57" and Lat. 13° 33'30" Long. 122° 23'50" and Lat. 13° 31'10", from Bondoc River in Aurora up to Pinamutangan Point, Bondoc Peninsula at Long. 122° 30'00" and Lat 13° 14'25", Long. 122° 31'50" and Lat. 13° 20'58", from San Andres to Arena Point, Bondoc Peninsula at Long, 123° 46'6" to Lat 13° 15'6" and Long. 122° 41'00" to Lat. 13° 13'5" all located at Tayabas Bay in the province of Quezon; the Islands of Polillo, Alabat, Cabalete, Jomalig, Patnanonga, Kalotkot, Kalongkooan, Palasan, Calabao, Icol and San Rafael all located at Lamon Bay in the province of Quezon; the Mangrove areas from Del Pilar River to Palita Island, Bo. Salvacion and Dahican at Long. 122° 23'25" and Lat. 14° 16'08" located in the province of Camarines Norte; from Tanglar Point up to Bicol River at Long. 123° 14'24" to Lat. 13° 44'42" and Long. 123° 07'12" to Lat. 13° 44'00", mangroves along the banks of Looc River at Long. 123° 18'57" and Lat. 113° 54'25", Long. 123° 21'10" and Lat. 13° 59'00", mangrove areas of Port Tambang including banks of Tambang River and Olas River, the area at Long. 123° 24'40" and Lat. 13° 54'00", Long. 127° 27'56" and Lat. 13° 57'28", the mangroves in Bo. Gibgos and Tabaon, the area at Long. 123° 45'00" and Lat. 13° 50'00", Long. 123° 45'11" and Lat. 13° 50'00", Long. 123° 46'00" Lat. 13° 50'00", Long. 123° 47'00" and Lat. 13° 51'50", Long. 123° 47'10" and Lat. 13° 52'10", Long. 123° 47'20" and Lat. 13° 51'48", Long. 123° 48'00" and Lat. 13° 53'40" Long. 123° 48'20" and Lat. 13° 53'39", the mangroves along the banks of Salog River at Long. 123° 42'50" and Lat. 13° 52'00", Long. 123° 41'30" and Lat. 13° 54'09", all mangrove areas along the banks of Delchi River

Buang Creek, and Parasan River in Sinuran and Sapnitan Bay Long. 123° 15'00" and Lat. 14° 00'00", Long. 123° 17'30" and Lat. 14° 03'30", mangroves along the banks of Sagnay River at Long. 123° 31'20" and Lat. 13° 35'48", Long. 123° 31'25" and Lat. 13° 36'20", Quinabucsan Point to San Vicente Bay at Long. 123° 19'39" and Lat. 14° 00'00", Long. 123° 22'00" and Lat. 14° 05'00", from Northern Bank of Caima River up to Bo. Binahian at Long. 122° 52'10" and Lat. 13° 40'26", Long. 122° 52'35" and Lat. 13° 40'57", Long. 122° 51'19" and Lat. 13° 40'57" and 122° 51'17" and Lat. 13° 42'10", from Cagraray Pass to Gimbal Point in Cagraray Island at Long, 123° 52'41" and Lat, 13° 20'40" and 13° 17'50" and the Islands of Lahay Lucsuhin, Haponan, Quinabungan, Malabungot, Lanit and Batan all in the province of Camarines Sur; from Pigbucan to Paron Point in the municipality of Manito at Long. 123° 50'57" to 123° 54'08" and Lat. 13° 06'11", located in the province of Albay; from Putiao River to Malbog River at Long. 123° 40'33" and Lat. 12° 55', Long 123° 41'30" and Lat. 12° 58'40", Long. 123° 45' and Lat. 13° 00', from Getumbro Point up to the Municipality of Sorsogon at Long. 123° 55'30" to 124° 00' and Lat. 12° 57'12" to 12° 59'12", from Malazimbo Point to Municipality of Juban in Sorsogon Bay at Long. 123° 55'28" and Lat. 12° 50'35", Long. 124° 00' and Lat. 12° 53'24", mangroves along the banks of Dansel River at Long. 123° 35'07" and Lat. 12° 54'29", Long. 123° 35'50" and Lat. 12° 55'12", from Papucha Point in Sugot Bay up to Bo. Quidolog, Prieto Diaz boundaries divided into 2 quadrants: (a) Sta. Lucia to Buenavista at Long. 124° 03'39" to 124° 06'15" and Lat. 12° 59'33" to 13° 02'39" (b) Buenavista to Dingay Point at Long. 124° 04'10" to 124° 12'35" and Lat. 13° 02'39" to 13° 04'47", from Panuntignan Point in Gubat up to Tagdon River in Barcelona at Long. 124° 05'40" to 124° 09'07" and Lat. 12° 55'24" to 12° 57'10" and from Sinagatan Bay to Mantay Point in Ginablan at Long. 124° 44" to 124° 6'21" and Lat. 12° 31'58" to 12° 34'39" all located in the province of Sorsogon, the Islands of Sta. Cruz and Salomaque, the foreshoreline of Bo. Dapdap and Alabo up to the mouth of Tagum River at Long. 122° 04'12" and Lat. 13° 27'45", Long. 122° 04'27" and Lat. 13° 28'25", Long. 122° 07'01" and Lat. 13° 29'01", Malinao Creek up to Salomaque Point at Long. 122° 06'42" and Lat. 13° 23'12", Long. 122° 08'42" and Lat. 13° 22'18" and the foreshoreline of Bo. Cabuvagan to the eastern side of Dating Bayan River in Calancan Bay at Long. 121° 58'20" to 122° 03'00" and Lat. 13° 30'28" all located in the province of Marinduque; from Malaquing River up to Mabung River at Long. 123° 8'28" to 123° 11'52" and Lat. 12° 54'23" to 13° 00', from Cueva Point up to Kimartines Point at Long. 122° 55'35" to 122° 57'46" and Lat. 13° 4'25" to 13° 7'19", and from Kabugao Point up to Kabalong Andang Point at Long. 123° 8'53" to 123° 12'17" and Lat. 12° 53'44" to 13° 01'19" all located in Burias Island; Basin Island near Burias Island; Sibuyan Island; from Panciscan Point in Bitos Bay up to Bano Sanlay at Long. 123° 48' to 123° 46' 43" and Lat. 12° 21'25" to 12° 23'30", from Panicijan River in Butuan Bay at Long. 123° 45'28" to 123° 46'43" and Lat. 12° 24'30" to 12° 25'19", mangroves along the banks of Sta. Rosa River in San Jacinto town at Long. 123° 41'91" to 123° 43'14" and Lat. 12° 34'6" to 12° 35', mangroves between Bo. Tamosa and Bagasico at Long. 123° 40′ to 123° 41′51" and Lat. 12° 37′53" to 12° 38′39". from Magdangay Point up to Taguictic Point at Long. 123° 18'29" to 123° 20' and Lat. 12° 28'21" to 12° 25'16", from Bo. Magdangay to Malobago, Port Barrera at Long. 123° 20′ to 123° 21′51" and Lat. 12° 28′21" to 12° 33′30", from Guinobatan River up to Bariis at Long. 123° 21'51" to 123° 23'13" and

Lat. 12° 28'39" to 12° 31'8", from Bayuar Cove to Tinago Cove at Long. 123° 24'11" to 123° 25'19" and Lat. 12° 31'6" to 12° 31'30", mangroves along the banks of Balono River at Long. 123° 29'3" to 123° 29'39" and Lat. 12° 27'34" to 12° 24'23", mangroves along the banks of Pasil River, Magdalena at Long. 123° 31'44" to 123° 32'32" and Lat. 12° 26'29" to 12° 27'30", mangroves in Toos Cove in Mandaon at Long. 123° 12'58" to 123° 15'19", and Lat. 12° 13'53" to 12° 15'32" Bagupantao Point to Amutag Point at Long. 123° 15'34" to 123° 17'58" and Lat 12° 22'24" to 12° 27'52", mangroves along the banks of Daraga River, mangrove areas from Diutag River to Lomocab River at Long. 124° 13'31" to 124° 15'16" and Lat. 11° 57'18" to 11° 54'59" and the Island of Caroga all located in the province of Masbate; mangrove areas along the banks of Mamburao River at Long. 120° 35′ to 120° 36′14" and Lat. 13° 13′32" to 13° 14'29", Buluagan River to Lagarum River, Naujan at Long. 121° 17'42" to 121° 20'17" and Lat. 13° 17'8" to 13° 20', mangrove areas in the banks of Batel Creek, Sta. Cruz at Long. 120° 42'35" to 120° 44'5" and Lat. 13° 4'14" to 13° 6'29", Sablayan Point up to the mouth of Bagong Sabang River at Long. 120° 45'31" to 120° 46'0" and Lat. 12° 44'38" to 12° 50'34" Bo. Labangan to Calalayuan Point, Ilin Island of Long. 121° 2'42" to 121° 4'32" and Lat. 12° 18'14" to 12° 17'19", mangroves at the western side of Sucol River in Bongabong at Long. 121° 28'21" to 121° 29'26" and Lat. 12° 45'00" to 12° 42'20", mangroves at the western side of Casiliga River and Island of Soguicay all located in the province of Mindoro; mangrove areas along the coastline of Dupon River at Long. 124° 24'20" and Lat. 10° 54'42", Long. 124° 26'02" and Lat. 10° 54'42", Long. 124° 24'20" and Lat. 10° 57'21", Long. 124° 26'02" and Lat. 10° 57'21", from Apali Point to Calunangan Point at Long. 124° 28'24" to 124° 30'54" and Lat. 10° 52'12" to 10° 52'24", Puerto Bello to Lao at Long. 124° 31'20" and Lat. 10° 58'36" to Long. 124° 33'48" and Lat. 11° 1'30", mangrove areas from Bo. Tuban and Bo. Manpagui in Santa Cruz at Long. 124° 47' to 124° 48'42" and Lat. 11° 21'47" to Lat. 11° 23'36" all in the province of Leyte: the islands of Ponson, Poro and Pacihan located at Camote Sea all in the province Cebu; the Islands of Pamasuan, Handayan, and Majanay, the islets of Banoon and Lapinig Chico and mangrove areas east of Soom River to Pampang at Long. 124° 25'84" and Lat. 10° 05'33" to Lat. 106° 39' all located at Camotes Sea in the Province of Bohol; the Islands of Ambugan, Pangangan, Cabilao and Sandingan, the Islet of Batas, mangrove areas east of Inabanga River to Bo. Pampang at Long. 124° 07'00" and Lat. 10° 2'2" to 10° 36'00" all located at Cebu Strait all in the province of Bohol; mangrove areas from Agio Point up to the municipality of Cambuyao, mangrove areas from Bo. Biabas to Bo. Ondol including Bo. Condray, and Juagdan except the Island of Tintiman which is a mangrove Wilderness Area, at Long. 124° 32'58" to 124° 36' and Lat. 9° 56'48" to 9° 59'18", and the area from Basiao Point up to Kasag Point, at Lapinig at Long. 124°33' and Lat. 10° 03'24" to Long 124° 36'18" and Lat. 10° 05'24" Island all located at Mindanao Sea all in the Province of Bohol; the Island of Panglao and the mangrove areas from the west of Loboc River to the municipality of Lava which is at Long. 123° 56'9" and Lat. 9° 40'40" located at Mindanao Sea all in the province of Bohol; fmangrove areas from Liangan River up to Lipatan River of the municipality of Lapayan in the province of Lanao del Nortel, the area from Bo. Bagumbang to Malautan River of Ozamis City at Long. 123° 39'41" to 123° 49'19" and Lat. 8° 01'53" to 8° 8'14" in the province of Misamis Occidental; mangrove areas from Baculin Point to Lakud Point at Long. 126° 34'12" and

Lat. 7° 26'43" to 7° 34'30", mangrove areas from Tanguip Point in Banao to Kinablangan Island of Long. 126° 32'16" to 126° 34'49" and Lat. 7° 41'49" to 7° 43'50" and the Island of Samal all in the province of Davao del Norte; the Islands of Siargao, Bucas Grande, Middle Bucos and East Bucas all located at Dinagat Sound in the province of Surigao del Norte, the Island of Dinagat, Hikdop, Sibale, Hanigad all located at Surigao Strait all in the province of Surigao del Norte; the mangrove areas along the municipalities of Lavigan and Valencia up to the Taon River of the municipality of Barcelona at Long. 126° 25'24" to 126° 30' and Lat. 8° 10' to 8° 15" and the Islands of Masopelid. Mahaba, Condona, Bayagnan, Bilabid and Caye all in the province of Surigao del Sur; the mangrove areas in Tumalong Bay, Baong River and Pongao Bay, the mangrove areas from Malubog Point up to the municipality of Sambalawan including the Island of Pisan, at Long 123° 21'36" to 123° 28'8" and Lat. 7° 33'10" to 7° 38'10" and the Islands of Sagayapan. Tintauan and Sacol, all in the province of Zamboanga del Sur, the mangrove areas from the municipality of Tagasilay to the mouth of Tigbao River including east of the Island of Vitali at Long. 122° 16'00" and Lat. 7° 25'00", Long. 122° 22'00" and Lat. 7° 18'00" located at Sibuguay Bay all in the province of Zamboanga del Sur."

SECTION 2. The Secretary of the Department of the Environment and Natural Resources shall issue such guidelines, orders or rules and regulations as may be necessary for the implementation of the provisions and purposes of this Act.

SECTION 3. Separability Clause. - If any section or provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the other section or provision not so declared shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 4. Repealing Clause. - All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulations and other issuances or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Act, are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

SECTION 5. Effectivity. - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its complete publication in the Official Gazette and in at least two (2) national newspapers of general circulation, and one (1) local newspaper of general circulation in the autonomous region.

Approved,