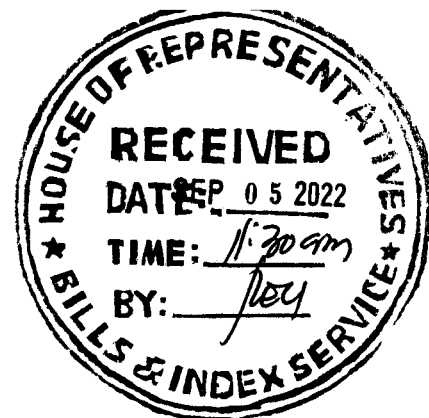


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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The previous decade has seen an increase in the number of available opportunities in the Province of Eastern Samar, there having been introduced several avenues for tourism, handicrafts, business, service training, and material processing. All this progress notwithstanding, what remains to be the primary livelihood in the province still is agriculture. – and the municipalities subject of this bill, of course, pose no exception.

However, some areas in the province remain unable to maximize the potential of the land. For instance, the Municipal Government of Maslog, Eastern Samar, in 2020 issued Municipal Resolution No. 37 seeking the reclassification of parcels of land in the municipality from timberland to alienable and disposable land, stating that despite while “*the existing settlers within have been occupying thus cultivating the area for more or less 50 years*”, the reality is that “*the needed sources of revenues for the delivery of goods and services to my fellow constituents depends only n the assistance from National and Provincial Government.*”

All said, the 1987 Constitution authorizes the conversion of timber or forest land into alienable and disposable land. It is through such mechanism that lands could be ceded to its many cultivators so as to allow for further agricultural development. Thus, this proposed bill is forwarded to effect the reclassification of certain parcels of land in the abovementioned municipalities. The ultimate goal is to afford *Estehanons* all prospects possible for agricultural growth.

And so, in view of the further progress of the Province of Eastern Samar, passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
RECLASSIFYING AND CONVERTING PARCELS OF TIMBERLAND LOCATED IN
BARANGAYS 1 AND 2 (POBLACION), BULAWAN, CARAYCAY, LIBERTAD,
MALOBAGO, MAPUTI, SAN ROQUE, SAN MIGUEL IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF
MASLOG AND SMALL PORTION IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF ARTECHE, ORAS,
AND DOLORES IN THE PROVINCE OF EASTERN SAMAR, AS ALIENABLE AND
DISPOSABLE LANDS

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

SECTION 1. Coverage. - The land comprising three (3) parcels, of which Parcel 1 is about Two Thousand Nine and 48/100 hectares (2,009.48 hectares) , Parcel 2 about Six hundred sixty-four thousand and eight hundred hectares (664,800 hectares), Parcel 3 about One million three hundred thirty-four thousand and four hundred hectares (1,334,400 hectares) , all situated in Barangays 1 and 2 (Poblacion), Bulawan, Caraycay, Libertad, Malobago, Maputi, San Roque, San Miguel in the Municipality of Maslog, and in small portions in the Municipalities of Arteche, in the province of eastern samar, is hereby converted from timberland to alienable and disposable land. The respective parcels of land are particularly described as follows:

PARCEL 1 (Area 2,009.48 hectare)				
STATION	BEARING	DISTANCE	EASTING	NORTHING
TP-1 88M-12, Dolores Cad. 1001	N 68-15 W	29,210.00	552471.790	1,331,216.39
1	N 16-00 E	240	525, 341.260	1,342,040.370
2	N 26-00 E	300	525,407.410	1,342,271,070
3	N 19-00 E	330	525, 538.920	1,342,540.710
4	N 19-00 W	360	525,646.360	1,342,852.730
5	N 10-00 W	260	525,529.160	1,343,193.120
6	N 15-00 E	370	525,484.010	1,343,449.170

7	N 28-00 E	310	525,579.770	1,343,806.560
8	N 17-00 W	360	525,725.310	1,344,080.270
9	N 81-00 W	490	525,620.060	1,344,424.540
10	N 85-00 W	390	525,135.090	1,344,501.190
11	N 48-00 W	220	524,747.570	1,344,535.180
12	N 04-00 W	370	524,584.080	1,344,682.390
13	N 56-00 E	440	524,558.270	1,345,051.490
14	N 10-00 W	340	524,923.050	1,345,297.530
15	N 42-11 E	360	524,864.010	1,345,632.360
16	N 05-00 W	480	525,104.900	1,345,899.890
17	N 09-00 E	440	525,063.070	1,346,378.060
18	N 29-00 W	450	525,131.900	1,346,812.640
19	N 11-00 W	470	524,913.740	1,347,206.220
20	N 20-00 E	420	524,824.060	1,347,667.580
21	N 53-00 E	500	524,967.710	1,348,062.250
22	N 17-00 E	460	525,367.030	1,348,363.160
23	N 13-00 W	500	525,498.600	1,348,793.500
24	N 27-00 E	260	525,386.120	1,349,280.690
25	N 07-00 W	500	525,594.960	1,349,690.550
26	N 44-00 W	260	525,534.030	1,350,186.820
27	S 75-00 E	880	525,353.420	1,350,373.850
28	S 07-00 E	380	526,473.200	1,350,146.090
29	S 04-00 W	420	526,249.740	1,349,768.920
30	S 37-00 E	420	526,220.440	1,349,349.940
31	S 05-00 F	410	527,473.200	1,349,014.510
32	S 17-00 E	410	526,508.930	1,348,606.070
33	S 18-00 E	420	526,628.800	1,348,213.990
34	S 25-00 E	170	526,758.590	1,347,814.550
35	S 37-00 E	390	526,830.440	1,347,630.480
36	S 26-00 W	90	526,595.730	1,347,319.010
37	S 09-00 E	520	526,556.280	1,347,238.120
38	S 60-00 E	500	526,637.630	1,346,724.520
39	N 41-00 k	550	527,070.640	1,346,474.520
40	N 23-00 E	520	527,431.470	1,346,889.610
41	N 83-00 E	500	527,634.650	1,347,368.270
42	S 71-00 E	440	528,130.920	1,347,307.340
43	S 51-00 E	450	528,546.950	1,347,164.090
44	S 20-00 E	420	528,896.670	1,346,880.900

45	S 25-00 E	520	529,040.320	1,346,486.230
46	S 18-00 E	440	529,260.080	1,346,014.950
47	S 10-00 E	390	529,396.050	1,345,596.490
48	S 49-00 W	470	529,463.770	1,345,212.410
49	S 55-00 W	440	529,109.060	1,344,904.060
50	S 89-00 W	560	528,748.630	1,344,651.690
51	S 19-00 W	240	528,188.720	1,344,641.920
52	S 01-00 E	310	528,110.580	1,344,415.000
53	S 14-00 W	460	528,115.990	1,344,105.050
54	S 30-00 W	440	528,004.710	1,343,658.710
55	S 31-00 E	480	527,784.710	1,343,277.660
56	S 67-00 W	250	528,037.930	1,342,866.220
57	S 62-00 W	380	527,801.800	1,342,768.540
58	S 56-00 W	260	527,446.280	1,342,590.140
59	S 74-00 W	370	527,250.730	1,342,444.750
60	S 33-00 W	260	526,895.060	1,342,342.760
61	S 75-00 W	550	526,753.450	1,342,124.710
62	S 81-00 W	500	526,222.190	1,341,982.360
63	S 36-00 W	400	525,728.350	1,341,904.140
64	N 55-00 W	300	525,493.240	1,342,580.530
65	N 08-00 W	180	525,247.490	1,341,752.600
66	N 50-03 E	154.96	525,222.480	1,341,930.850

PARCEL 2 (Area 664,800 Hectares)				
STATION	BEARING	DISTANCE	EASTING	NORTHING
TP-1 88M-12, Dolores Cad. 1001	N 68-59 W	31,911.48	552,471.790	1,331,216.390
1	S 87-00 W	300	522,682.130	1,342,658.350
2	S 85-00 W	50	522,382.540	1,342,642.650
3	S 09-00 W	90	522,332.730	1,342,638.290
4	S 85-00 W	500	522,318.650	1,342,549.400
5	S 88-00 W	100	521,820.550	1,342,505.820
6	S 77-00 W	320	521,720.610	1,342,502.330
7	N 03-00 W	670	521,408.810	1,342,430.350
8	N 50-00 E	230	521,373.740	1,343,099.430
9	S 54-00 E	280	521,548.930	1,343,247.270
10	S 65-00 E	280	521,776.450	1,343,082.690
11	S 72-00 E	400	522,030.220	1,342,964.360

12	S 74-00 E	250	522,410.640	1,342,840.750
13	S 48-00 E	80	522,650.960	1,342,771.840
14	N 76-00 E	250	522,710.410	1,342,718.310
15	S 75-00 E	150	522,952.980	1,342,778.790
16	S 02-00 E	100	523,097.870	1,342,739.970
17	S 07-11 E	250	523,101.360	1,342,640.030
18	N 59-21 W	522.72	523,131.830	1,342,391.890

PARCEL 3 (Area 1,334,400 Hectares)				
STATION	BEARING	DISTANCE	EASTING	NORTHING
TP-1 88M-12, Dolores Cad. 1001	N 54-13 W	31,911.48	552,471.790	1,331,216.390
1	N 75-00 W	880	526,216.200	1,350,138.240
2	N 44-00 W	200	525,336.190	1,350,366.000
3	N 24-00 W	480	525,227.260	1,350,509.870
4	N 10-00 W	400	525,032.030	1,350,948.370
5	N 51-00 E	490	524,926.570	1,351,342.290
6	N 87-00 E	490	525,343.370	1,351,650.660
7	N 39-00 E	500	525,832.700	1,351,676.300
8	S 04-00 E	430	526,147.360	1,351,064.870
9	S 31-00 W	460	526,177.360	1,351,635.920
10	S 16-00 W	370	525,940.440	1,351,241.620
11	S 44-00 E	480	525,838.450	1,350,885.950
12	S 06-17 E	404.86	526,171.890	1,350,540.670

SECTION 2. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.* - The Department of Environment and Natural Resources shall issue the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

SECTION 3. *Repealing Clause.* - All laws, decrees, orders, rules and regulation or parts thereof, which are inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

SECTION 4. *Effectivity.* -This Act shall take effect immediately after fifteen (15) days following its complete publication in the Official Gazette or in at least a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,