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MEMORANDUM

TO

THE REGIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

DENR-Region IV-B MIMAROPA 1515 Roxas Blvd., Ermita, Manila

FROM

THE UNDERSECRETARY

Field Operations – Luzon, Visayas and Environment

SUBJECT

RESOLUTION NO. 2022-332 OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF DR. JOSE P. RIZAL, PALAWAN RE: A RESOLUTION EARNESTLY REQUESTING THE HONORABLE MARIA ANTONIA LOYZAGA, SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND **NATURAL** RESOURCES. THRU THE **HONORABLE** CH. ALVAREZ, DISTRICT **CONGRESSMAN JOSE** SECOND REPRESENTATIVE OF PALAWAN, TO CAUSE THE SURVEY OF EXISTING LAND USES IN THE MUNICIPALITY FOR POSSIBLE RECLASSIFICATION OF AREAS FROM **TIMBERLAND**

ALIENABLE AND DISPOSABLE

DATE

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This pertains to the letter dated 14 October 2022 of Mr. Edgar G. Untalan, Secretary to the Sanggunian, Municipality of Dr. Jose P. Rizal, Province of Palawan, addressed to the Honorable Secretary, received by this Office dated 3 March 2023, furnishing the copy of the above-mentioned subject.

May we refer the matter for your comments in accordance with the existing laws, rules and regulations. Directly reply to the parties concerned and copy furnish this Office of the action taken citing document tracking number DENRCO-ASRMD-2022-029432 for record and monitoring purposes.

For consideration.

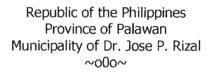
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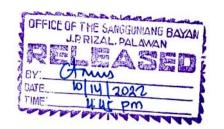
Encls.: as stated

cc: Mr. Edgar G. Untalan
Secretary to the Sanggunian
Municipality of Dr. Jose P. Rizal, Province of Palawan

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Received by:

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

October 14, 2022

HON. MARIA ANTONIA YULO-LOYZAGA

Secretary
DENR
DENR Bldg. Visayas Avenue
Diliman, Quezon City

Madam:

We are transmitting herewith copy of **Resolution No. 2022-332** – "A RESOLUTION EARNESTLY REQUESTING THE HONORABLE MARIA ANTONIA YULO-LOYZAGA, SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES, THRU THE HONORABLE CONGRESSMAN JOSE CH. ALVAREZ, SECOND DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE OF PALAWAN, TO CAUSE THE SURVEY OF EXISTING LAND USES IN THE MUNICIPALITY FOR POSSIBLE RECLASSIFICATION OF AREAS FROM TIMBERLAND TO ALIENABLE AND DISPOSABLE" duly adopted by the Sangguniang Bayan for your information and appropriate action.

Kindly acknowledge receipt hereof.

Very truly yours,

BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE SANGGUNIAN:

EDGAR G. UNTALAN

Secretary to the Sanggunian



Republic of the Philippines Province of Palawan MUNICIPALITY OF RIZAL ~000~

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPT FROM THE JOURNAL OF THE 10^{TH} REGULAR SESSION OF THE 16^{TH} SANGGUNIANG BAYAN HELD AT THE SESSION HALL ON SEPTEMBER 19, 2022.

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HON. MARIA GRACIA M. ZAPANTA Municipal Vice Mayor - Presiding Officer HON, ZALDY C. MAGBANUA SB Member SB Member HON, KIM B. APOSTOL HON. ARVIN C. FUENTES SB Member HON. SHERWIN G. MACASAET SB Member HON, JALIL J. INSANI SB Member HON. JETHRO L. DEGILLO SB Member HON. HARVEY L. MONGCAL SB Member HON, YUSAH J. INSANI President, Liga ng mga Barangay President, PPSK HON. ZORIN E. CADIMA **IPMR** HON. SILICO J. VALDESTAMON

Absent:

HON, RONA A. LASTIMOSO SB Member

Resolution No. 2022-332

A RESOLUTION EARNESTLY REQUESTING THE HONORABLE MARIA ANTONIA YULO-LOYZAGA, SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES, THRU THE HONORABLE CONGRESSMAN JOSE CH. ALVAREZ, SECOND DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE OF PALAWAN, TO CAUSE THE SURVEY OF EXISTING LAND USES IN THE MUNICIPALITY FOR POSSIBLE RECLASSIFICATION OF AREAS FROM TIMBERLAND TO ALIENABLE AND DISPOSABLE

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WHEREAS, the Administrative Code of 1987 provides that the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) shall undertake the exploration, assessment, classification and inventory of the country's natural resources, using ground surveys, remote sensing and complementary technologies;

WHEREAS, based on the Comprehensive Land and Water Use Plan 2013-2023, this municipality has a land area of 127,836.79 hectares, with only 17,996.28 hectares or 14.08% as alienable and disposable (A&D) while the remaining land area are considered forestland (50,110.27 hectares) and protected area (59,730.24 hectares);

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WHEREAS, the restriction brought about by such classification hinders this municipality's revenue collection, more particularly with regard real property tax (RPT), thereby causing this municipal government's finances to be virtually dependent on the National Tax Allotment (NTA);

WHEREAS, with the municipality's vision of becoming a "premier agro-industrial center and ecotourism destination in Southern Palawan," reclassification of its vast lands outside the protected area into A&D would essentially spur the locality's economic growth and development;

WHEREAS, even the seat of the municipal government and most of its residential, institutional, commercial and agricultural zones are within the timberland areas, hence detrimental to the progress and development of the entire municipality;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of Hon. Jalil J. Insani unanimously seconded, be it

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, to earnestly request as it is hereby earnestly requested, the Honorable Maria Antonia Yulo-Loyzaga, Secretary, Department of Environment and Natural Resources thru the Honorable Congressman Jose Ch. Alvarez, Second District Representative of Palawan, to cause the survey of existing land uses in the municipality for possible reclassification of areas to alienable and disposable;

RESOLVED, FURTHER, that Hon. Maria Antonia Yulo-Loyzaga, Secretary, DENR, Hon. Jose Ch. Alvarez, Second District Representative of Palawan, Hon. Norman S. Ong, Municipal Mayor, MPDO, MENRO and all others concerned be furnished with copies of this resolution for their information and appropriate action.

ADOPTED: September 19, 2022

I CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing resolution.

EDGAR G. UNTALAN
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED AND CERTIFIED TO BE DULY ADOPTED:

MARIA GRACIA M. ZAPANTA Vice Mayor and Presiding Officer

APPROVED:

NORMAN S. ONG Municipal Mayor

10-10-2022

Date

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