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#### (EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE FOURTH QUARTER RDC MIMAROPA FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 01 DECEMBER 2023 IN PASAY CITY)

# RDC Resolution No. <u>2023-084-1208</u>

## ADOPTING THE TAMARAW CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT ACTION PLAN (TCMAP) 2021-2030

WHEREAS, Presidential Proclamation No. 273, s. 2002 declares October of every year as a "Special Month for the Conservation and Protection of the Tamaraw in Mindoro";

WHEREAS, the Proclamation urges all government offices, agencies, and instrumentalities in the whole island of Mindoro to implement activities geared toward the conservation of the Tamaraw (Bubalus mindorensis), and its habitats;

WHEREAS, the Tamaraw, the largest native land mammal found in Mindoro, is classified as critically endangered species under the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Administrative Order No. 2004-151 and on the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) Red List of Threatened Species;

WHEREAS, the DENR, in collaboration with IUCN Asian Wild Cattle and Conservation Planning Specialist Groups (AWCSG), crafted the Tamaraw Conservation and Management Action Plan (TCMAP) 2021-2030;

WHEREAS, the plan serves as a guide in the implementation of the Tamaraw Conservation Program (TCP) aimed to protect, conserve, and increase the Tamaraw population in Mindoro Island;

WHEREAS, the plan envisions Tamaraw to thrive in well-managed habitats, coexist with Indigenous Peoples, and be valued by the local communities across Mindoro;

WHEREAS, the Economic Development Committee (EDC), during its fourth quarter meeting on 09 November 2023, endorsed the adoption of the TCMAP 2021-2030 to the RDC given its importance in the preservation and strengthening of the region's biodiversity;

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## NOW, THEREFORE, ON A MOTION DULY SECONDED, be it

**RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED,** That the Regional Development Council MIMAROPA adopts the Tamaraw Conservation and Management Action Plan (TCMAP) 2021-2030 (Annex A);

**RESOLVED FURTHER,** That the TCMAP 2021-2030 be considered and integrated into the respective plans and programs of concerned local government units (LGUs), regional line agencies (RLAs), and protected area management boards (PAMBs);

**RESOLVED FURTHER,** That the TCMAP 2021-2023 be included in the region's research agenda and future research activities of the state universities and colleges (SUCs) in Mindoro;

**RESOLVED FINALLY,** That copies of this resolution be provided to all concerned LGUs, RLAs, PAMBs, and SUCs;

#### UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Done this 1<sup>st</sup> day of December in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-three in Pasay City.

Certified Correct:

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APOLLO EDWIN S. PAGANO RDC Secretary

Approved: 🥎

JOSE R. RIANO

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