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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO :** All CENROs

**FROM :** The Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer

**SUBJECT :** **PROVINCIAL RESOLUTION Nos. 17240, 17241 AND PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 3045 ALL SERIES OF 2022 OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF PALAWAN**

Furnished is the letter dated December 15, 2022 from the Office of the Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Palawan along with the following documents:

1. Provincial Resolution No. 17240- *"Urging all the Local Government Units in the Province particularly the Municipalities of Rizal, Bataraza and Balabac, to coordinate with Department of Environment and Natural resources-Palawan and Palawan Council for Sustainable Development and conduct Educational and Public Awareness Campaigns about Crocodiles and their Habitats to raise awareness and prevent Human-Crocodile conflicts in their areas of concerns"*
2. Provincial Resolution No. 17241 – *"Urging the Provincial Government for the Desilting and Dredging of the Maasin-Calasaguen Communal Dam in Brooke's Point, Palawan to help address Food Security in the Province"*
3. Provincial Ordinance No. 3045- *Creating the Palawan Council on Man-made Food Forest for Food Sovereignty allocating Funds therefore and harmonizing and integrating all ordinances pertinent thereto and for other purposes"*

For information and record.



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**MR. FELIZARDO B. CAYATOC**

Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer  
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Puerto Princesa City

Sir:

We are forwarding herewith a copies of Provincial Resolution Nos. 17239, 17240, 17241 and Provincial Ordinance No. 3045, all series of 2022 of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Palawan, for information and appropriate action.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

BY AUTHORITY OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN:

[Signature]  
**RAYMUNDO G. PADRONES JR.**  
Supervising Administrative Officer





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**RESOLUTION NO. 17240**  
**Series of 2022**

**URGING ALL THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS IN THE PROVINCE PARTICULARLY THE MUNICIPALITIES OF RIZAL, BATARAZA AND BALABAC, TO COORDINATE WITH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES-PALAWAN AND PALAWAN COUNCIL FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND CONDUCT EDUCATIONAL AND PUBLIC AWARENESS CAMPAIGNS ABOUT CROCODILES AND THEIR HABITATS TO RAISE AWARENESS AND PREVENT HUMAN – CROCODILE CONFLICTS IN THEIR AREAS OF CONCERNS**

**Authored by:**

**HON. MARIVIC H. ROXAS**

**WHEREAS,** the Philippine Constitution states that the maintenance of peace and order, the protection of life, liberty, and property, and the promotion of the general welfare are essential for the enjoyment by all the people of the blessings of democracy;

**WHEREAS,** incidents of crocodile attacks in Palawan notably increased in recent years;



**WHEREAS**, the latest victim of the crocodile attack was a 10 yr. old boy whose body was still missing in the Municipality of Rizal, Palawan;

**WHEREAS**, the increased attacks may be a result of the increasing population of nearby residential communities and the related degradation of crocodile habitats;

**WHEREAS**, the author deems it proper that all local government units particularly the municipalities of Rizal, Bataraza and Balabac, having higher cases of crocodile attacks, to conduct educational and public awareness campaigns about crocodiles and their habitats to raise awareness and prevent human-crocodile conflicts;

**WHEREAS**, the conduct of this activity will likewise help the province to encourage constituents to avoid human settlement within reservation areas and/or crocodile habitats;

**NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of Honorable Ryan D. Maminta duly seconded, be it

**RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved, to urge all the Local Government Units of the province particularly Rizal, Bataraza and Balabac, to coordinate with Department of Environment and Natural Resources-Palawan and Palawan Council for Sustainable Development council and conduct educational and public awareness campaigns about crocodiles and their habitats to raise awareness and prevent human – crocodile conflicts in their areas of concerns;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that a copy of this resolution be furnished to Governor V. Dennis M. Socrates; Mr. Felizardo Cayatoc, Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer, DENR-MIMAROPA, Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City and all Municipal Mayors, all of the Province of Palawan, for their information and appropriate action.

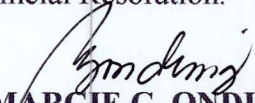
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
I CERTIFY to the correctness of the above-quoted Provincial Resolution.

  
**MARGIE G. ONDIONG**  
Board Secretary IV

ATTESTED:

  
**WINSTON G. ARZAGA**  
Sangguniang Panlalawigan Pro-Tempore

APPROVED:

  
**V. DENNIS M. SOCRATES**  
Governor  
November 22, 2022  
Date

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**RESOLUTION NO. 17241  
Series of 2022**

**URGING THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT FOR THE DESILTING AND  
DREDGING OF THE MAASIN - CALASAGUEN COMMUNAL DAM IN BROOKE'S  
POINT, PALAWAN TO HELP ADDRESS FOOD SECURITY IN THE PROVINCE**

**Authored by:**

**HON. ARISTON D. ARZAGA**

**Co-Authored by:**

**HON. RYAN D. MAMINTA, HON. AL-NASHIER M. IBBA,  
HON. MARIA ANGELA V. SABANDO, HON. PURITA J. SEGURITAN  
AND HON. ROSELLER S. PINEDA**



**WHEREAS**, the Maasin-Calasaguen Communal Dam was constructed and established in 1996 during the time of then Governor Salvador P. Socrates purposely to irrigate 1,500 hectares of rice farm in the Barangays of Maasin and Calasaguen;

**WHEREAS**, for the last 26 years the communal dam has been silted whereby the dam is now full of aggregates hence the barangay officials, farmers and the irrigator's association in the area are requesting for the immediate desilting and dredging of the said dam;

**WHEREAS**, with the present condition of the dam, it can no longer hold water deposit to its maximum capacity sufficient to supply irrigation water to the rice farms covered by the New Panay Maasin Calasaguen Irrigator's Association due to the heavily accumulated aggregates;

**WHEREAS**, the situation is aggravated with the flowing of these aggregates in the rice farms with the irrigation water as the main structure supposedly serving to hold / impound water or reservoir for the benefit of the farmers dependent on irrigation water to irrigate their respective rice farms;

**WHEREAS**, water course must be appropriately addressed to fully use the irrigation water from the dam which according to the farmers, during the good condition of the dam they can plant three (3) cropping in a year which can address and contribute to the problem on food security;

**WHEREAS**, thus, the provincial government may either conduct desilting and dredging operations where the quarry materials can be used in the improvement of both the provincial and barangay roads in the said barangays, or may issue a quarry permit in case this is in accordance with the existing laws, rules and regulations to clear the dam of the said materials;

**NOW THEREFORE**, on motion of Honorable Ryan D. Maminta duly seconded, be it

**RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved, to urge the Provincial Government for the desilting and dredging of the Maasin - Calasaguen Communal Dam in Brooke's Point, Palawan to help address food security in the province;

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that a copy of this resolution be furnished to the Chairman, Provincial Mining and Regulatory Board (PMRB), Engr. Conrado V. Cardenas, National Irrigation Administration, Puerto Princesa City; PENRO Felizardo Cayatoc, DENR-Palawan, Barangay Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City; Atty. Noel Aquino, PGP-ENRO, Bgy. Banca-Banca; the Municipal Mayor, Brooke's Point; the Barangay Councils, Barangay Maasin and Barangay Calasaguen; Mr. Joel Luagna, President of the New Panay Maasin Calasaguen Irrigator's Association; all of Brooke's Point, all of this Province, for their information and appropriate action.

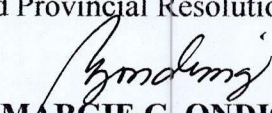
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


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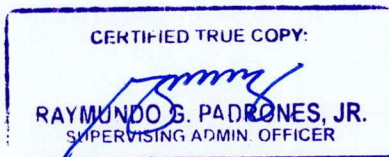
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*Sangguniang Panlalawigan Pro-Tempore*

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Governor  
*NOVEMBER 22, 2022*  
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**PROVINCIAL ORDINANCE NO. 3045**  
Series of 2022

**CREATING THE PALAWAN COUNCIL ON MAN-MADE FOOD FOREST FOR FOOD SOVEREIGNTY, ALLOCATING FUNDS THEREFORE AND HARMONIZING AND INTEGRATING ALL ORDINANCES PERTINENT THERETO AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

Authored by:

Hon. ROSELLER S. PINEDA, Hon. ARISTON D. ARZAGA, Hon. AL-NASHIER M. IBBA,  
Hon. JUAN ANTONIO E. ALVAREZ, Hon. RYAN D. MAMINTA, Hon. MARIVIC H.  
ROXAS, Hon. PURITA J. SEGURITAN, and Hon. MARIA ANGELA V. SABANDO

Co-Authored by:

Hon. RAFAEL V. ORTEGA, JR., Hon. NIEVES C. ROSENTO, and  
Hon. WINSTON G. ARZAGA

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**WHEREAS**, as reported by the Food and Nutrition Research Institute based on their Rapid Nutrition Assessment Survey (RNAS), some 62.1% of Filipino households experienced moderate to severe food insecurity in 2020 amid the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic;

**WHEREAS**, Typhoon Odette (International name: Rai) in December 2021 further threatened the supply for food adequacy when Odette ravaged the central and northern Municipalities of the province that incurred an estimated total damage of P7.8 billion, including the City of Puerto Princesa;

**WHEREAS**, food security, as defined by the Food and Agriculture Organization, is a situation that exists where “all people have physical, social and economic access to sufficient, safe and nutritious food that meets their dietary needs and food preferences for an active and healthy lifestyle at all times;”

**WHEREAS**, food insecurity is the state where people lack regular access to enough safe and nutritious food for normal growth and development and an active and healthy life, for instance there is a food insecurity and food dependency situation when the only available fruits in the markets are “ponkan apple or kiad- kiad oranges;

**WHEREAS**, Section 3 (i) of RA 7160 as amended, states that the local government units shall share with the national government the responsibility in the management and maintenance of ecological balance within their territorial jurisdiction subject to the provisions of this Code and national policies;


**WHEREAS**, Section 2 of Republic Act No. 8435, otherwise known as the Agriculture and Fisheries Modernization Act of 1997, declares that the State shall enable those who belong to the agriculture and fisheries sectors to participate and share in the fruits of development and growth and that the State shall assure the availability, adequacy, accessibility of food supplies to all at all times;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, on motion of Hon. Ariston G. Arzaga and duly seconded, be it

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN IN SESSION:**

**SECTION 1. TITLE.** This Ordinance shall be known as “**PALAWAN COUNCIL FOR MAN-MADE FOOD FOREST**”

**SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF POLICY.** Recognizing the vital role of trees and of the forest in ecological stability and its function in climate change mitigation and adaptation, it is hereby declared policy of the Province of Palawan to ensure food security and food sovereignty, to promote the right of the people to enjoy the benefits of a balanced and healthy ecology. Towards this end, the Provincial Government of Palawan, in coordination with the business interests, such as social entrepreneurs and the civil society, shall promote and integrate Food Forest System toward food security and food sovereignty.





### SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS.

- a.) Agri-preneurs - entrepreneurs whose main business is agriculture or farming for food security;
- b.) *Agroforestry* - is the intentional integration of trees and shrubs into crop and animal farming systems to create environmental, economic, and social benefits;
- c.) Carbon Dioxide Sequestration - Carbon sequestration means capturing carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) from the atmosphere or capturing anthropogenic (human) CO<sub>2</sub> from large-scale stationary sources like power plants before it is released to the atmosphere.  
Once captured, the CO<sub>2</sub> gas (or the carbon portion of the CO<sub>2</sub>) is put into long-term storage;
- d.) PALAWAN COUNCIL or Council - an advisory and deliberative body tasked to oversee the creation of Provincial Man-Made Food Forest Program.
- e.) Climate change - refers to the change in climate identified by the changes in the main and/or variability of its properties that persists for an extended period, typically decades or longer, whether due to natural variability or as a result of human activity;
- f.) Adaptation - the adjustments in ecological, social or economic systems in response to actual or expected climate stimuli and their effects or impacts;
- g.) Food Forest - refers to a forest of crop trees and fruit bearing trees raised artificially, either by sowing or planting; and
- h.) Mitigation - efforts to reduce or prevent emission of greenhouse gases.

**SECTION 4. SCOPE.** This Ordinance shall apply to all Municipalities under the jurisdiction of the Province of Palawan.

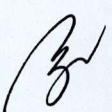
**SECTION 5. Creation of PALAWAN COUNCIL FOR MAN-MADE FOOD FOREST**  
- The Council is hereby created and shall be composed of the following:

**Mandatory Members:**

Provincial Governor as Convener/Chairperson or a duly designated representative;  
Provincial Agriculturist;  
Provincial Planning and Development Office - GIS Unit;  
Members from Sangguniang Panlalawigan Chairpersons of:  
Committee on Agriculture and Aquatic Resources;  
Committee on Cooperatives and Non-Government Organizations;  
Committee on Environmental Protection and Natural Resources;  
Provincial Government Environment and Natural Resources Office; and  
Palawan Council for Sustainable Development Office

**Optional Members** (subject to a Memorandum of Agreement): of the council are:

Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer;  
Department of Trade and Industry-Palawan Office;  
Department of Agriculture-Palawan Office;  
Technical Education and Skills Development Authority-Palawan;





Department of Education, Executive Committee Chairman;  
One (1) Representative from Peoples Organization  
One (1) Representative from Private Industry Association  
Palawan State University; and  
Western Philippines University

**SECTION 6. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE MAN-MADE FOOD FOREST COUNCIL.** The Council is hereby empowered to:

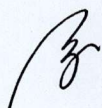
- A. Plan, identify, direct and formulate policy directions of the council incorporating therein the respective food security/sovereignty action plan of the component municipalities of Palawan Province;
- B. Simplify access to production and marketing resources and prospects for the food industry sector from the government agencies and private financing institutions;
- C. Ensure the availability and access to production inputs, post-harvest facilities, markets for the local produce, appropriate technology, and technical assistance to farmers and fisherfolk; and
- D. Monitor and ensure reasonable prices of food supply in the market;
- E. Organize as a management approach a secretariat to take on the technical and social preparation/ mobilization at the ground level.

In addition, the created Council will be tasked to create a fully sustainable eco-system focused on food production system based on trees and perennial plants (fruits and nuts) instead of annual crops (corn and rice). It can feed every Palaweños, protect the environment, fight poverty and save endangered species.

Moreover, the Council shall have the following general powers and functions:

1. Formulate the development plans and policies;
2. Educate and train all stakeholders and interested parties;
3. Conduct the relevant research, scientific study and feasible marketing strategies;
4. Establish and maintain the productive demonstration farms;
5. Develop effective and efficient marketing system;
6. Establish linkages with national and international organizations for project promotion;
7. Coordinate with other government and non-government agencies involved in the development of the program;
8. Serve as the implementing body.

**SECTION 7. SECRETARIAT** - A Secretariat for the Council is hereby created to be composed of the Secretariat Head with staff members coming from the Office of the Provincial Agriculturist (OPA), Office of the Provincial Governor (OPG) and the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Palawan that will work for Food Forest Research and Development, Product Networking/Marketing and Information Campaign. The Secretariat shall facilitate the planned activities, update on the developments initiated by the council, suggests improvement in all aspects, monitors the progress and quality of the programs and development initiatives by the MAN-MADE FOOD FOREST COUNCIL and reports directly to the council.





**SECTION 8. OBJECTIVES.** Pursuant to the policy declared herein, this Ordinance's Objectives are to:

- a. Introduce low maintenance food production through agro-forestry and provide indigenous/endemic seedlings to be planted in the area;
- b. Spearhead the implementation of the Ordinance and technically assist the respective local municipal government units thru its MAO in the identification of site/s human-made Food Forest;
- c. Complement the efforts of the national government agencies at addressing issues of food insecurity and food sovereignty by establishing sustainable food forest using mostly perennial vegetables, local/endemic crop fruits and fruit trees;
- d. Maximize land use and provide a significant source of income of agricultural entrepreneurs (agri-preneurs);
- e. Contribute in the government's efforts on carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) capture and *sequestration* in the atmosphere
- f. Utilize idle lands, protect and restore the soil as a result of climate change by promoting inter-LGU coordination, market linkages and trading of products from this man-made forest;

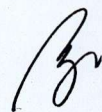
**SECTION 9. SITE IDENTIFICATION/SELECTION.** With a minimum of five (5) hectares per LGU and be within a maximum of 3 kilometers radius from the barangay hall, the sites of man-made Food forest must be (re) designed to ensure:

- a. Water supply source;
- b. The Slope/orientation must be towards N or NE or E direction;
- c. Access roads that are sufficiently wide to allow vehicles to maneuver during peak planting periods and to facilitate supervision and movement of planting and other materials;
- d. Adequate drainage; and
- e. The soil is rich in organic matter (humus).

The following are the possible sites to be developed as man-made forest:

- a. Portion of State Colleges and Universities;
- b. Tree parks of the LGUs or those in the area of LGU Eco SWM parks;
- c. Mangrove areas;
- d. Private property to be purchased by the LGU;
- e. Timberland area;
- f. For areas within A&D with technical advice from DENR;
- g. NIPAS, areas (approval of the Protected Area Management Board shall be sought); and
- h. For timberland/CBFM/NGP sites, a Memorandum of Agreement with various stakeholders.

**SECTION 10. IMPLEMENTING MECHANISM.** The establishment of a man-made forest in all municipalities shall be undertaken with the involvement of concerned agencies/entities. The implementation shall proceed in the following manner:





a.) The province thru the OPA- shall spearhead the implementation of this Ordinance and technically assist the MLGU and Barangay Local Government when and as needed thru its MAO/ Punong Barangay counterpart in the identification of a certain parcel of land for the mandated man-made Food Forest.

b.) The area to be identified and delineated by the MLGU shall be evaluated with the close supervision of the OPA if the area is a titled property and for PENRO-LGU in close coordination with DENR-PENRO/CENRO concern if the area is a timberland; Or if the area is within the ancestral domain, negotiate with the NCIP to exempt and/or simplify the issuance of FPIC process to expedite the implementation of the Human Made Forest.

#### **SECTION 11. PROHIBITED ACTS.**

1. Farming within the declared man-made food forest;
2. Grazing of animals in the area;
3. Poaching/cutting of trees or destroying of plants and trees within the area. Cutting and destroying of trees and plants shall be permitted only when the cutting and destroying of the same is necessary for public safety, subject to clearances and issuance of permit by the DENR.

**SECTION 12. Budgetary Requirements** – for the Council to be functional, and operational, an amount of Two Million Pesos (Php2,000,000.00) shall be allocated from the Annual Budget for the Poverty Alleviation, Livelihood and Income Generation, Climate Change Mitigation, Disaster Risk Management, Investment Priority Program and other aligned budgetary as being provided by law. The Council may raise funds from other sources for specific project as being authorized by law.

#### **SECTION 13. PENAL PROVISION.**

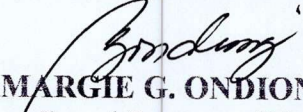
Any person found damaging/destroying the planted trees from the Man-Made Food Forest shall be penalized in the amount of Five Thousand Pesos Only (Php5,000.00) and will be required to replace and plant at least ten (10) seedlings for each tree damaged/destroyed at his/her own cost.

**SECTION 14. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE.** This Ordinance shall take effect upon its publication in the local newspaper of general circulation in the province.

**SO ORDAINED.**

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**I CERTIFY** to the correctness of the above-quoted Provincial Ordinance.

  
**MARGIE G. ONDIONG**  
Board Secretary IV *me*



ATTESTED:




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Sangguniang Panlalawigan Pro-Tempore

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Date

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