



Sangguniang Panlalawigan

BATAAN CAPITOL, BALANGA CITY



REPORT

COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE, HUMAN RIGHTS, AND LEGAL MATTERS

AGENDA NO.

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Letter from Hon. Jose Enrique S. Garcia, III, Provincial Governor of Bataan, RE: REQUEST FOR A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNOR, HON. JOSE ENRIQUE S. GARCIA, III TO ENTER AND SIGN A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE COMMISSION ON FILIPINOS OVERSEAS (CFO) FOR THE LOCALIZATION OF THE E-GOVERNANCE PROJECT "BALINKBAYAN".

In a letter dated July 1, 2022, the Honorable Governor of Bataan requested authorization to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Commission on Filipinos Overseas on behalf of the Provincial Government of Bataan (PGB) for the Localization of the e-Governance Project "BaLinkBayan: Overseas Filipinos' One Stop Online Portal for Diaspora Engagement". Under the proposed MOA, the PGB would assist in the development and maintenance of the localized BaLinkBayan webpage featuring migration and development initiatives for Bataan Overseas Filipino Workers (OFW).

The Committee has deliberated the proposed MOA and found it legally sound and technically correct. Moreover, various Philippine cities and provinces, namely, Sorsogon City, Sorsogon Province, Ligao City, Tabaco City, Legazpi City, Masbate City, Bacoor City, Cagayan de Oro City, Antique, Iloilo City, Pangasinan, Iloilo Province, Aklan, Iriga City, Cuenca, Batangas, Guinobatan, Albay, and Naga City, have localized the same e-governance project, recognizing the opportunities and benefits it would provide to their respective constituencies. Overseas Filipino Workers from our province stand to benefit as well.

Accordingly, the Committee respectfully recommends the passage of the requested resolution authorizing the Honorable Governor of Bataan to enter and sign the proposed MOA on behalf the PGB and in behalf of Bataan.

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