

## Republic of the Philippines Province of Pampanga

### MUNICIPALITY OF SASMUAN

## OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN HELD ON OCTOBER 28, 2019 AT THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL.

Present:

Hon. Anney May T. Angeles Municipal Vice-Mayor and Presiding Officer

Hon. Michael Angelo T. Lopez

Hon. Vincent M. Mangalindan

Hon. Rowena M. Lozano

SB Member

Hon. Richard V. Agapito

SB Member

Hon. Ryan G. Cabrera

SB Member

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Hon. Ronaldo C. Pinlac SB Member (ABC President)
Hon. Fernando M. Limpin III SB Member (PPSK President)

Absent:

Hon. Fernando C. Baltazar SB Member (on Official Business)
Hon. Ariel Sarmiento SB Member (on Official Business)

**RESOLUTION NO. 101-S-2019** 

# A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 115-S-2014 ENTITLED: A RESOLUTION ENDORSING THE SASMUAN COASTAL AREAS AS CRITICAL HABITAT AND NETWORK SITE UNDER THE EAST ASIAN-AUSTRALIASIAN FLYWAY PATNERSHIP

Be it adopted by the Sangguniang Bayan of Sasmuan, Pampanga, in session assembled:

**WHEREAS,** the coastal areas of Sasmuan (MALUSAC, SEBITANAN, MABUANBUAN, BATANG 1<sup>ST</sup>, BATANG 2<sup>nd</sup>, SASMUAN BANGKUNG MALAPAD) support the population as high as 40,000 water birds of more than thirty species every year.

**WHEREAS,** following the Ramsar Convention, an area is a wetland of global ecological importance it it is host at least 1% of the population of any water-bird specias in the East Asian Flyway, which Sasmuan does for the red shank and even 1% of the population of the black headed gull;

**WHEREAS,** the Sasmuan Bangkung Malapad harbor world endanger water-bird species such as Far Eastern Curlew, Great Knot, and recently sighted over 100 years the Black-faced spoonbill;

WHEREAS, the wildlife Resource Conservation and Protection Act of the Philippines (RA 9147, 2004) and EO 578 (2007) provide for the establishment of critical habitats critical for the survival of threatened, restricted-range and congregatory species, and provide guidelines for their management and protection. It further provides the biodiversity impact assessment shall be integrated into the Environmental Impact Assessment and the Environmental Risk Assessment Processes, taking into consideration guidelines adopted under the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity.

**WHEREAS,** EO 111(1999) Establishing the Guidelines for Ecotourism Development in the Philippines provided for a national ecotourism program for, among others, the development, management and protection of identified tourism sites;

**WHEREAS,** the Philippines is a part of the East Asian-Australasian Flyway that supports over fifty million (50 million) migratory water birds form over 250 different population including 28 globally threatened species;

WHEREAS, the Local Government of Sasmuan supports the management of the proposed Sasmuan Bangkung Malapad Critical Habitat and Ecotourism Area (SBMCHEA) and the Sasmuan Pampanga Coastal Wetland (SPCW) to preserve its ecological character for the benefit of biodiversity and people;

**WHEREAS,** the Local Government of Sasmuan endeavors to collaboration with local and international organizations to further enhance local capacities and broaden participation towards ensuring the ecological integrity of this international important migratory bird site;

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**SO NOW, THEREFORE**, on motion of Hon. Vincent M. Mangalindan duly seconded by all members present;

**RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, Respectfully endorsing the Sasmuan Bangkung Malapad as a Critical Habitat to migratory birds, an Ecotourism Area, and the Sasmuan Coastal Areas are recognized as Ramsar site and Network Site under the auspices of the East Asian-Australasian Flyway Parneship (EAAFP)

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the DENR-PENRO Pampanga, Biodiversity Management Bureau, DENR Office, Quezon City, for the endorsement to CH, EAAFP, Ramsar Secretariat.

#### **UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED**

Certified Correct

JONATHAN S. LUNA Secretary to the Sanggunian

Attested:

ANNEY MAYT. ANGELES

Municipal Vice-Mayor and Presiding Officer