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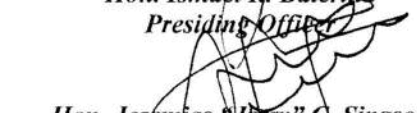
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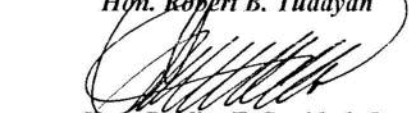

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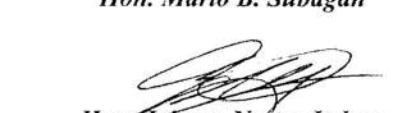

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EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION
OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF ILOCOS SUR
HELD AT THE SESSION HALL, PROVINCIAL CAPITOL, VIGAN
CITY, ILOCOS SUR, ON NOVEMBER 10, 2015.

RESOLUTION NO. 535-XV
Series of 2015

Authored by Hon. Robert B. Tudayan

A RESOLUTION RECOMMENDING TO THE
SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES
THROUGH THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT
BUREAU, REGION I, THE DESIGNATION OF THE
AMBURAYAN RIVER SYSTEM AS WATER QUALITY
MANAGEMENT AREA PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT
9275, THE PHILIPPINE CLEAN WATER ACT OF 2004

WHEREAS, Republic Act 9275, the Clean Water Act of 2004, provides that the state shall pursue a policy of economic growth in a manner consistent with the protection, and revival of the quality of fresh, brackish and marine waters and that to achieve this end, the framework for sustainable development shall be pursued;

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the state to formulate a holistic national program of water quality management that recognizes that water quality management issues cannot be separated from concerns about water sources and ecological protection, water supply, public health and quality of life, and to provide for comprehensive management program for water pollution focusing on pollution prevention;

WHEREAS, as a matter of policy and strategy to protect and sustainably manage the country's surface water resources, Section 5 of the Clean Water Act provides for the designation by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) in coordination with National Water Resources Board (NWRB) of certain areas as water quality management areas (WQMA) using appropriate physiographic unit such as watershed, river basins or water resources regions, and that said management areas shall have similar hydrological, hydrogeological, meteorological or geographical, biological reactions and diffusions of pollutants in the water bodies, or otherwise share common interest or face similar development programs, prospects;

WHEREAS, Amburayan River System and its tributaries and watershed have similar hydrological, hydrogeological, meteorological or geographic conditions which affect the physicochemical, biological and bacteriological reactions and diffusions of pollutants in the water bodies;



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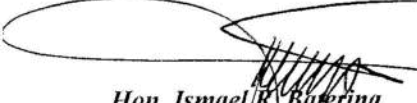
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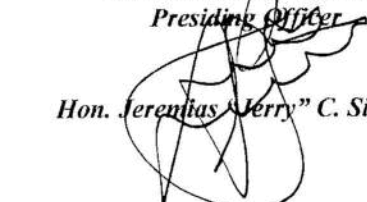
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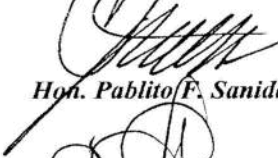

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WHEREAS, Amburayan River System and its tributaries and watershed include areas in the municipalities of Suyo, Sigay, Cervantes, Sugpon, Alilem and Tagudin in the Province of Ilocos Sur, and which drain to the West Philippine Sea and therefore has a direct and long term impact on the socio-economic and ecological well-being of the individuals; communities, businesses, agriculture and other stakeholders within the River System;

WHEREAS, Amburayan River System is a potential source of water in the future for households, industries and commercial establishment in addition to the present daily uses for aqua culture, agriculture and other domestic uses;

WHEREAS, the present state of the water quality of the Amburayan River System requires serious protection and Management actions by the Local Government Units and Various stakeholders located within the watershed, working singly and collaboratively, to ensure the River Systems' sustainability and generate maximum benefits and welfare to the communities and stakeholders;

WHEREAS, The Jaime V. Ongpin Foundation, Inc. (NOFI) and the Environmental Management Bureau Region 1 (EMB-1), in partnership with all Local government units within the Amburayan River System, national government agencies, industries, academe, non-government organizations and other stakeholders, has conducted a series of meeting and consultations and information dissemination activities on the Amburayan River System to generate and ensure understanding and support for its designation as a Water Quality Management Area;

WHEREAS, recognizing the importance of proper management and sustainable development of the Amburayan River System and its current and potential contributions to the social and economic development of its citizens and communities, municipalities of Suyo, Sigay, Cervantes, Sugpon, Alilem and Tagudin in the Province of Ilocos Sur consistently and actively participated in planning and policy discussion about the Amburayan River System in preparation for its designation as a Water Quality Management Area and for this purpose, has created and operationalized a local Water Quality Task Force;



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WHEREAS, in consideration of the economic and ecological importance of the Amburayan River System to the people and communities within the ARS watershed, the Province of Ilocos Sur affirms the need for cooperative action with other LGUs' other government agencies, academe, industry, agriculture and service sector and NGOs' in the area recognizing that the actions and activities of one affect the others;

NOW THEREFORE, the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Ilocos Sur, in session assembled, on motion of Hon. Robert B. Tudayan, duly seconded by Hon. Jeremias "Jerry" C. Singson **RESOLVED** as it is **HEREBY RESOLVED** to recommend to the Secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources through the Environmental Management Bureau, Region 1, the designation of the Amburayan River System as Water Quality Management Area Pursuant to Republic Act 9275, the Clean Water Act of 2004;

RESOLVED FINALLY, to furnish copies of this resolution to the Honorable Ramon Paje, Secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, and Regional Director Maria Victoria V. Abrera of the Environmental Management Bureau, Region 1, San Fernando City, La Union, for their information and Guidance.

APPROVED AND ENACTED UNANIMOUSLY this 10th day of November, 2015.