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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Quezon City, Metro Manila



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HOUSE BILL NO. 2641

Introduced by
Honorable ELENITA MILAGROS "EILEEN" ERMITA-BUHAIN

EXPLANATORY NOTE

This bill seeks to declare a parcel of land of the public domain located in Barangays Bambang, Bisaya, Cahil, Matipok, Taklang Anak, Balimbing, and Tamayo in the Municipality of Calaca, Province of Batangas an agricultural land open to disposition for residential, commercial, industrial or other productive purposes.

Many barangays, namely, Barangays: Bambang, Bisaya, Cahil, Matipok, Taklang Anak, Balimbing and Tamayo in the Municipality of Calaca are still classified as forest or timberlands. Some areas have even been declared as integrated social forest areas for which very few residents were awarded certificates of stewardships, at the expense of a majority of the residents. Although the certificates were later withdrawn, the affected residents request to have the forest or timber lands be declared or reclassified into disposable or alienable agricultural lands, so that they may reap the benefits of the improvements which they have already made on the land they occupy. This will also enable these residents to seek administrative (free patent) or judicial legalization of their claims under Section 7 of Republic Act No. 7586 entitled, "An Act Providing for the Establishment and Management of National Integrated Protected Areas System, Defining its Scope and Coverage and for Other Purposes." Also, it must be noted that there has been no official cadastral survey conducted for the Municipality of Calaca, and the land surveys thus far, had been initiated and certified through personal and costly surveys.

This bill also enjoins the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), in addition to fixing the metes and bounds of the land to be declared as agricultural land open to disposition for residential, commercial, industrial or other productive purposes.

In line with the "land for the landless" policy of the government, and to settle land problems in the Municipality of Calaca, approval of this bill is urgently requested.


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AN ACT
DECLARING A PARCEL OF LAND OF THE PUBLIC DOMAIN
LOCATED IN BARANGAYS BAMBANG, BISAYA, CAHIL, MATIPOK,
TAKLANG ANAK, BALIMBING AND TAMAYO IN THE
MUNICIPALITY OF CALACA, PROVINCE OF BATANGAS AN
AGRICULTURAL LAND OPEN TO DISPOSITION FOR
RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL OR OTHER
PRODUCTIVE PURPOSES

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress Assembled:

SECTION 1. A parcel of land of the public domain located in barangays Bambang, Bisaya, Cahil, Matipok, Taklang Anak, Balimbing and Tamayo in the Municipality of Calaca, Province of Batangas covered by Land Classification Map No. 3276, Project No. 17-A, Forest Lands is hereby declared an agricultural land open to disposition for residential, commercial, industrial or other productive purposes. With a total area of three hundred sixty-six (366) hectares, more or less, the said parcel of land is more particularly described as follows:

<u>Line</u>	<u>Bearing</u>	<u>Distance</u>
1	Foll Mun. boundary line in gen. NE dir.	5,320.00 m.
2	NE direction	480.00 m.
3	S 13° 00' E	165.00 m.
4	S 26° 00' E	285.00 m.
5	S 51° 00' E	155.00 m.
6	S 06° 00' W	80.00 m.
7	S 17° 00' W	65.00 m.
8	S 15° 00' E	195.00 m.
9	S 05° 00' E	100.00 m.
10	S 05° 00' W	245.00 m.
11	S 36° 00' E	135.00 m.
12	S 20° 00' E	95.00 m.
13	S 01° 00' W	170.00 m.
14	S 03° 00' W	265.00 m.
15	S 44° 00' E	260.00 m.
16	S 34° 00' E	200.00 m.
17	S 18° 00' E	85.00 m.
18	S 11° 00' E	110.00 m.
19	S 52° 00' W	215.00 m.
20	S 44° 00' W	195.00 m.
21	S 12° 00' E	100.00 m.
22	S 38° 00' W	80.00 m.
23	S 60° 00' W	125.00 m.
24	S 18° 00' W	255.00 m.
25	S 55° 00' W	130.00 m.
26	S 59° 00' W	195.00 m.
27	S 61° 00' W	160.00 m.
28	S 23° 00' W	250.00 m.
29	S 88° 00' W	125.00 m.
30	S 36° 00' W	255.00 m.
31	N 37° 00' W	110.00 m.
32	N 01° 00' E	160.00 m.
33	N 11° 00' E	220.00 m.

34	S 41° 00' W	330.00 m.
35	S 65° 00' W	215.00 m.
36	S 74° 00' W	20.00 m.
37	S 48° 00' W	140.00 m.
38	S 51° 00' W	310.00 m.
39	S 54° 00' W	170.00 m.
40	S 51° 00' W	280.00 m.
41	S 59° 00' W	140.00 m.
42	S 47° 00' W	210.00 m.
43	S 48° 00' W	260.00 m.
44	S 39° 00' W	220.00 m.
45	S 42° 00' W	345.00 m.
46	S 34° 00' W	240.00 m.
47	N 76° 00' W	520.00 m.

SEC. 2. Within six months following the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) shall promulgate the rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act: *Provided*, That twenty-meter strips of land on both sides along rivers and creeks, for stream bank protection are hereby excluded from the coverage of this Act and shall be planted with trees to be managed and protected by the DENR as permanent timberland.

SEC. 3. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in two newspapers of general circulation.

Approved.