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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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HOUSE BILL NO. 3862

Introduced by Representative **ELEANDRO JESUS F. MADRONA**

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Mt. Guiting-Guiting, with an elevation of 2,058 meters, dominates the landscape of Sibuyan Island in Romblon. The mountain is both sustainer of life and mythic symbol to the people of Sibuyan and straddles three municipalities: Magdiwang, Cajidiocan and San Fernando.

Sibuyan Island has a total area of 47,745 hectares with a population of approximately 50,000. As sustainer of life, Mt. Guiting-Guiting and its surrounding forest areas support an exceptionally high diversity of endemic species of flora and fauna, found nowhere else in the world. These include four (4) species of rodents and one (1) species of bat that was discovered only in the mid-1990s. It is also home to many species threatened throughout the country, including the endangered Philippine tube-nosed fruit bat, previously known to originate only from Negros.

About half of the island is covered with mangrove, lowland and mossy forests. Sibuyan's lowland forest is considered to be one of the last stands of lowland forest in the Philippines. It is also known to be the densest forest in the country in terms of species diversity, being the habitat of up to 54 endemic plant species.

The importance of Mt. Guiting-Guiting Natural Park's unique biological resources and its aesthetic and ecological value is reason enough for the State to ensure the protection and preservation of this park, its communities, their culture and way of life. In fact, the three municipalities of Sibuyan Island have come together to undertake joint development efforts under the concept of MAGCAISA, and have, as a result, also united to protect Mt. Guiting-Guiting.

In view of the foregoing, passage of this bill is earnestly sought.


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AN ACT
TO ESTABLISH MT. GUITING-GUITING NATURAL PARK LOCATED IN SIBUYAN
ISLAND, PROVINCE OF ROMBLON AS A NATURAL PARK AND ITS SURROUNDING
AREAS AS BUFFER ZONES AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, PURSUANT TO REPUBLIC ACT
NO. 7586

Sec. 1. Title - This act shall be known as the “Mt. Guiting-Guiting Natural Park Act of _____.”

Sec. 2. Declaration of Policy – Mt. Guiting-Guiting has one of the highest biodiversity in the country as it is home to a number of fascinating endemic flora and fauna species as well. It behooves the State to undertake steps for its protection and preservation. It is therefore declared the policy of the state to ensure the protection and preservation of Mt. Guiting-Guiting, the communities therein, in harmonious existence with nature. In so doing, the State shall: a) Preserve the ecosystem existing habitats in its natural state; b) Preserve genetic resources and maintain the ecological diversity existent in Mt. Guiting-Guiting; c) Provide education, research and environmental monitoring, low-impact recreation and tourism, and alternative economic opportunities to sustainably optimize the use of resources; and, d) Advance and protect the interest of the legitimate inhabitants and honor customary laws.

Sec. 3. Scope – Mt. Guiting-Guiting Natural Park is hereby established, covering fifteen (15) barangays in the municipalities of Magdiwang, Cajidiocan and San Fernando, all located in the island of Sibuyan, in the province of Romblon, with an approximate aggregate area of FIFTEEN THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY –FIVE AND 21/100 (15,475.21) HECTARES.

The technical description of Mt. Guiting-Guiting Natural Park shall be as follows:

Bounded on the North by unclassified public forest, Municipality of Magdiwang, on the East by unclassified public forest, Municipality of Cajidiocan and on the South and West by unclassified public forest, Municipality of San Fernando.

Beginning at a point marked “1” which is N 85°07’01” E, 7,264.978 meters from PRS 92 RML-3004 San Fernando, Romblon, with geographic coordinates of 12°23’04.85”North and 122°29’53.60 East.

CORE ZONE

Thence	N	72°	21’	0”	W	554.08	meters to point	2;
Thence	N	68°	49’	51”	W	1,312.58	meters to point	3;
Thence	N	82°	33’	14”	W	841.09	meters to point	4;
Thence	N	33°	51’	30”	W	472.05	meters to point	5;
Thence	N	45°	30’	17”	W	321.04	meters to point	6;

Thence	N	5°	32'	35"	E	952.45	meters to point	7;
Thence	N	39°	11'	59"	W	944.58	meters to point	8;
Thence	N	63°	56'	53"	W	1,448.14	meters to point	9;
Thence	S	76°	30'	33"	W	458.66	meters to point	10;
Thence	S	62°	48'	25"	W	571.13	meters to point	11;
Thence	N	68°	22'	46"	W	352.82	meters to point	12;
Thence	S	67°	42'	10"	W	300.47	meters to point	13;
Thence	S	80°	38'	44"	W	436.81	meters to point	14;
Thence	N	82°	57'	32"	W	677.11	meters to point	15;
Thence	N	83°	31'	11"	W	451.89	meters to point	16;
Thence	N	81°	35'	1"	W	792.54	meters to point	17;
Thence	S	28°	13'	57"	W	568.65	meters to point	18;
Thence	S	35°	8'	46"	W	578.46	meters to point	19;
Thence	N	65°	55'	47"	W	647.28	meters to point	20;
Thence	N	46°	37'	22"	W	499.42	meters to point	21;
Thence	S	36°	32'	22"	W	485.41	meters to point	22;
Thence	S	64°	41'	44"	W	589.57	meters to point	23;
Thence	N	48°	36'	53"	W	1,783.34	meters to point	24;
Thence	N	12°	50'	52"	W	1,227.74	meters to point	25;
Thence	N	12°	49'	24"	W	802.00	meters to point	26;
Thence	N	57°	29'	40"	E	1,019.76	meters to point	27;
Thence	N	62°	25'	50"	E	663.32	meters to point	28
Thence	S	72°	8'	29"	E	785.87	meters to point	29;
Thence	S	68°	41'	56"	E	701.96	meters to point	30;
Thence	S	32°	53'	3"	E	670.42	meters to point	31;
Thence	S	79°	51'	13"	E	647.12	meters to point	32;
Thence	N	51°	31'	24"	E	634.85	meters to point	33;
Thence	N	52°	18'	5"	E	940.30	meters to point	34;
Thence	N	55°	16'	46"	E	570.60	meters to point	35;
Thence	S	81°	17'	7"	E	693.00	meters to point	36;
Thence	N	82°	19'	50"	E	404.62	meters to point	37;
Thence	N	23°	42'	32"	E	619.27	meters to point	38;
Thence	N	69°	29'	2"	E	505.03	meters to point	39;
Thence	S	71°	58'	49"	E	436.41	meters to point	40;
Thence	N	75°	39'	10"	E	525.63	meters to point	41;
Thence	S	16°	39'	4"	E	355.14	meters to point	42;
Thence	S	25°	56'	6"	E	569.34	meters to point	43;
Thence	N	58°	9'	51"	E	394.32	meters to point	44;
Thence	N	62°	4'	39"	E	471.94	meters to point	45;
Thence	N	70°	45'	54"	E	294.44	meters to point	46;
Thence	N	81°	45'	31"	E	509.26	meters to point	47;
Thence	N	69°	30'	47"	E	485.72	meters to point	48;
Thence	N	84°	31'	21"	E	513.34	meters to point	49;
Thence	N	84°	33'	35"	E	590.66	meters to point	50;
Thence	N	20°	6'	45"	E	529.28	meters to point	51;
Thence	N	20°	17'	25"	E	605.58	meters to point	52;
Thence	N	14°	39'	42"	E	355.58	meters to point	53;
Thence	N	14°	51'	50"	E	436.61	meters to point	54;
Thence	N	70°	22'	35"	E	381.14	meters to point	55;
Thence	N	80°	4'	26"	E	365.47	meters to point	56;
Thence	N	22°	46'	4"	W	506.46	meters to point	57;
Thence	N	29°	57'	5"	E	378.56	meters to point	58;
Thence	N	28°	8'	2"	E	767.71	meters to point	59;
Thence	N	61°	10'	39"	E	215.72	meters to point	60;
Thence	N	89°	51'	50"	E	421.00	meters to point	61;
Thence	S	50°	41'	36"	E	235.21	meters to point	62;
Thence	S	52°	30'	7"	E	346.62	meters to point	63;
Thence	S	52°	50'	30"	E	357.61	meters to point	64;
Thence	S	28°	54'	56"	E	359.86	meters to point	65;
Thence	S	29°	32'	35"	E	387.36	meters to point	66;
Thence	S	48°	55'	33"	E	289.18	meters to point	67;

Thence	S	47°	43'	35"	E	327.05	meters to point	68;
Thence	S	85°	15'	3"	E	326.12	meters to point	69;
Thence	S	83°	13'	33"	E	364.55	meters to point	70;
Thence	S	64°	26'	0"	E	333.67	meters to point	71;
Thence	S	61°	32'	50"	E	638.07	meters to point	72;
Thence	S	16°	27'	36"	E	275.28	meters to point	73;
Thence	S	18°	0'	58"	E	345.96	meters to point	74;
Thence	S	16°	59'	44"	E	314.75	meters to point	75;
Thence	S	25°	30'	0"	E	336.81	meters to point	76;
Thence	S	34°	13'	59"	E	1,317.20	meters to point	77;
Thence	S	40°	23'	22"	E	1,055.59	meters to point	78;
Thence	S	35°	28'	0"	E	1,127.14	meters to point	79;
Thence	S	30°	32'	43"	W	1,056.63	meters to point	80;
Thence	S	1°	21'	29"	W	1,603.45	meters to point	81;
Thence	S	33°	42'	28"	W	902.78	meters to point	82;
Thence	S	7°	26'	9"	W	548.61	meters to point	83;
Thence	S	12°	20'	49"	E	1,094.31	meters to point	84;
Thence	N	54°	42'	10"	E	692.26	meters to point	85;
Thence	S	53°	31'	51"	E	1,144.03	meters to point	86;
Thence	S	15°	27'	40"	W	487.65	meters to point	87;
Thence	S	34°	5'	36"	E	1,379.02	meters to point	88;
Thence	S	28°	27'	27"	W	717.72	meters to point	89;
Thence	S	22°	0'	41"	E	1,470.16	meters to point	90;
Thence	S	38°	28'	15"	W	851.93	meters to point	91;
Thence	S	23°	55'	11"	E	813.90	meters to point	92;
Thence	S	31°	55'	11"	W	1,346.62	meters to point	93;
Thence	S	2°	58'	53"	E	192.26	meters to point	94;
Thence	S	18°	47'	0"	W	208.08	meters to point	95;
Thence	S	24°	48'	51"	W	409.84	meters to point	96;
Thence	S	22°	5'	35"	W	401.48	meters to point	97;
Thence	S	2°	27'	36"	E	419.39	meters to point	98;
Thence	S	0°	58'	16"	E	413.06	meters to point	99;
Thence	S	40°	36'	56"	W	434.73	meters to point	100;
Thence	S	85°	53'	59"	W	279.72	meters to point	101;
Thence	S	73°	5'	41"	W	426.43	meters to point	102;
Thence	N	64°	57'	55"	W	242.81	meters to point	103;
Thence	S	40°	8'	47"	W	105.47	meters to point	104;
Thence	N	46°	49'	57"	W	334.54	meters to point	105;
Thence	N	47°	41'	52"	W	270.42	meters to point	106;
Thence	N	86°	4'	46"	W	321.75	meters to point	107;
Thence	N	86°	9'	11"	W	290.66	meters to point	108;
Thence	N	28°	16'	25"	W	451.78	meters to point	109;
Thence	N	1°	10'	4"	W	294.36	meters to point	110;
Thence	N	25°	7'	44"	W	261.39	meters to point	111;
Thence	N	49°	13'	45"	W	463.47	meters to point	112;
Thence		DUE NORTH				207.14	meters to point	113;
Thence	N	16°	23'	12"	E	379.28	meters to point	114;
Thence	N	45°	55'	22"	E	483.02	meters to point	115;
Thence	N	47°	42'	21"	E	374.48	meters to point	116;
Thence	N	73°	8'	10"	E	299.90	meters to point	117;
Thence	N	17°	5'	10"	W	255.27	meters to point	118;
Thence	N	5°	27'	41"	E	388.77	meters to point	119;
Thence	N	10°	28'	41"	E	621.36	meters to point	120;
Thence	N	46°	7'	36"	W	467.49	meters to point	121;
Thence	N	19°	15'	22"	E	397.22	meters to point	122;
Thence	N	83°	25'	13"	W	1,029.78	meters to point	123;
Thence	N	77°	51'	29"	W	594.30	meters to point	124;
Thence	S	63°	38'	55"	W	1,559.00	meters to point	125;
Thence	S	61°	39'	50"	W	766.89	meters to point	126;
Thence	N	17°	45'	42"	W	645.78	meters to point	127;

Thence	N	26°	21'	41"	W	1,006.68	meters to point	128;
Thence	N	32°	29'	36"	W	597.54	meters to point	129;
Thence	N	88°	32'	53"	W	868.28	meters to point	130;
Thence	N	17°	31'	32"	W	1,075.94	meters to point	131;
Thence	N	26°	41'	46"	W	977.16	meters to point	132;
Thence	N	58°	17'	58"	E	1,813.58	meters to point	1;

BUFFER ZONE 1

Beginning at a point marked "1" which is N 62°23'19"E, 2,466.517 meters from PRS 92 RML-3004 San Fernando, Romblon with geographic coordinates of 12°23'04.85 North" and 122°29'53.60" East

Thence	N	75°	7'	46"	E	682.87	meters to point	2;
Thence	N	57°	3'	7"	E	380.14	meters to point	3;
Thence	N	13°	50'	35"	E	413.77	meters to point	4;
Thence	N	30°	47'	10"	E	525.56	meters to point	5;
Thence	N	16°	23'	35"	E	690.94	meters to point	6;
Thence	N	19°	48'	46"	W	448.45	meters to point	7;
Thence	S	71°	48'	33"	W	816.82	meters to point	8;
Thence	N	22°	44'	12"	W	946.97	meters to point	9;
Thence	S	80°	32'	0"	W	625.52	meters to point	10;
Thence	S	62°	16'	38"	W	481.24	meters to point	11;
Thence	S	42°	27'	43"	W	700.64	meters to point	12;
Thence	N	54°	38'	50"	W	277.10	meters to point	13;
Thence	N	80°	37'	43"	W	412.51	meters to point	14;
Thence	N	82°	29'	19"	W	331.85	meters to point	15;
Thence	S	75°	59'	32"	W	234.99	meters to point	16;
Thence	S	89°	54'	37"	W	319.00	meters to point	17;
Thence	S	29°	0'	15"	W	1,161.13	meters to point	18;
Thence	S	58°	48'	39"	W	543.57	meters to point	19;
Thence	N	34°	15'	25"	E	364.18	meters to point	20;
Thence	N	26°	24'	12"	E	317.08	meters to point	21;
Thence	N	31°	36'	27"	E	305.39	meters to point	22;
Thence	N	24°	42'	9"	W	330.22	meters to point	23;
Thence	N	12°	29'	8"	W	143.39	meters to point	24;
Thence	N	16°	57'	42"	E	209.10	meters to point	25;
Thence	N	58°	49'	34"	W	233.75	meters to point	26;
Thence	S	48°	32'	4"	W	481.75	meters to point	27;
Thence	S	25°	53'	44"	E	99.62	meters to point	28;
Thence	S	25°	53'	44"	E	168.28	meters to point	29;
Thence	S	13°	13'	28"	W	205.45	meters to point	30;
Thence	S	2°	32'	32"	W	473.47	meters to point	31;
Thence	S	16°	59'	41"	E	390.04	meters to point	32;
Thence	N	69°	6'	10"	W	401.40	meters to point	33;
Thence	N	3°	52'	59"	W	280.57	meters to point	34;
Thence	N	47°	9'	30"	W	300.04	meters to point	35;
Thence	S	83°	22'	16"	W	116.78	meters to point	36;
Thence	S	59°	17'	48"	W	157.01	meters to point	37;
Thence	S	9°	32'	20"	W	271.55	meters to point	38;
Thence	S	46°	17'	13"	W	148.03	meters to point	39;
Thence	S	74°	16'	33"	W	509.05	meters to point	40;
Thence	N	26°	35'	46"	W	254.64	meters to point	41;
Thence	N	33°	40'	20"	W	183.97	meters to point	42;
Thence	N	1°	18'	45"	E	392.95	meters to point	43;
Thence	S	81°	27'	50"	W	301.34	meters to point	44;
Thence	S	56°	55'	27"	W	289.99	meters to point	45;
Thence	S	23°	9'	15"	W	473.04	meters to point	46;
Thence	S	64°	21'	16"	W	282.87	meters to point	47;
Thence	S	59°	34'	3"	W	453.48	meters to point	48;
Thence	N	36°	1'	15"	W	1,037.27	meters to point	49;

Thence	N	11°	32'	21"	W	469.91	meters to point	50;
Thence	N	67°	19'	10"	W	394.51	meters to point	51;
Thence	N	57°	2'	11"	E	278.90	meters to point	52;
Thence	N	15°	1'	24"	W	401.21	meters to point	53;
Thence	N	19°	10'	17"	E	307.56	meters to point	54;
Thence	N	7°	58'	30"	W	281.10	meters to point	55;
Thence	S	82°	34'	8"	W	116.98	meters to point	56;
Thence	N	69°	11'	8"	W	207.55	meters to point	57;
Thence	N	46°	31'	51"	W	248.02	meters to point	58;
Thence	N	33°	1'	26"	W	119.27	meters to point	59;
Thence	N	45°	38'	36"	W	913.29	meters to point	60;
Thence	N	10°	51'	23"	W	185.83	meters to point	61;
Thence	N	33°	36'	38"	E	148.14	meters to point	62;
Thence	N	0°	50'	58"	E	269.78	meters to point	63;
Thence	S	67°	53'	26"	W	224.51	meters to point	64;
Thence	N	57°	49'	20"	W	352.08	meters to point	65;
Thence	N	10°	40'	58"	E	264.33	meters to point	66;
Thence	N	53°	21'	26"	E	646.83	meters to point	67;
Thence	N	75°	51'	34"	E	642.47	meters to point	68;
Thence	N	69°	54'	54"	E	1,223.40	meters to point	69;
Thence	N	23°	46'	19"	W	396.93	meters to point	70;
Thence	N	61°	42'	26"	E	1,064.12	meters to point	71;
Thence	S	50°	52'	24"	E	340.31	meters to point	72;
Thence	S	14°	36'	25"	E	210.16	meters to point	73;
Thence	S	4°	39'	6"	E	271.27	meters to point	74;
Thence	S	10°	40'	1"	E	297.14	meters to point	75;
Thence	N	42°	51'	51"	E	1,067.24	meters to point	76;
Thence	N	66°	23'	34"	E	441.99	meters to point	77;
Thence	S	44°	43'	56"	E	774.38	meters to point	78;
Thence	S	86°	0'	41"	E	218.53	meters to point	79;
Thence	N	50°	33'	13"	E	278.42	meters to point	80;
Thence	N	64°	4'	0"	E	298.01	meters to point	81;
Thence	N	3°	15'	21"	W	123.25	meters to point	82;
Thence	N	49°	50'	16"	W	149.17	meters to point	83;
Thence	N	9°	38'	41"	E	214.88	meters to point	84;
Thence	S	61°	48'	3"	E	439.12	meters to point	85;
Thence	S	54°	5'	25"	E	298.20	meters to point	86;
Thence	S	54°	5'	25"	E	561.12	meters to point	87;
Thence	S	68°	45'	17"	E	564.36	meters to point	88;
Thence	N	80°	47'	43"	E	355.58	meters to point	89;
Thence	N	39°	41'	13"	E	479.18	meters to point	90;
Thence	N	52°	38'	18"	W	378.70	meters to point	91;
Thence	N	7°	9'	43"	E	312.82	meters to point	92;
Thence	N	31°	10'	41"	E	168.05	meters to point	93;
Thence	N	7°	22'	51"	E	101.20	meters to point	94;
Thence	N	10°	37'	50"	E	330.67	meters to point	95;
Thence	N	44°	27'	24"	E	97.09	meters to point	96;
Thence	N	5°	28'	48"	W	324.61	meters to point	97;
Thence	N	57°	49'	40"	E	326.07	meters to point	98;
Thence	S	49°	49'	13"	E	578.52	meters to point	99;
Thence	S	42°	26'	26"	E	855.04	meters to point	100;
Thence	S	66°	33'	20"	E	336.80	meters to point	101;
Thence	S	24°	39'	55"	E	364.23	meters to point	102;
Thence	S	20°	38'	49"	E	196.35	meters to point	103;
Thence	S	75°	39'	11"	W	525.63	meters to point	104;
Thence	N	71°	58'	49"	W	436.41	meters to point	105;
Thence	S	69°	29'	2"	W	505.03	meters to point	106;
Thence	S	23°	42'	32"	W	619.27	meters to point	107;
Thence	S	82°	19'	50"	W	404.62	meters to point	108;
Thence	N	81°	17'	7"	W	693.00	meters to point	109;
Thence	S	55°	16'	46"	W	570.60	meters to point	110;

Thence	S	52°	18'	5"	W	940.30	meters to point	111;
Thence	S	51°	31'	24"	W	634.85	meters to point	112;
Thence	N	79°	51'	13"	W	647.12	meters to point	113;
Thence	N	32°	53'	3"	W	670.42	meters to point	114;
Thence	N	68°	41'	56"	W	701.96	meters to point	115;
Thence	N	72°	8'	29"	W	785.87	meters to point	116;
Thence	S	62°	25'	50"	W	663.32	meters to point	117;
Thence	S	57°	29'	40"	W	1,019.76	meters to point	118;
Thence	S	12°	49'	24"	E	802.00	meters to point	119;
Thence	S	12°	50'	52"	E	1,227.74	meters to point	120;
Thence	S	48°	36'	53"	E	1,783.34	meters to point	121;
Thence	N	64°	41'	44"	E	589.57	meters to point	122;
Thence	N	36°	32'	22"	E	485.41	meters to point	123;
Thence	S	46°	37'	22"	E	499.42	meters to point	124;
Thence	S	65°	55'	47"	E	647.28	meters to point	125;
Thence	N	35°	8'	46"	E	578.46	meters to point	126;
Thence	N	28°	13'	57"	E	568.65	meters to point	127;
Thence	S	81°	35'	1"	E	792.54	meters to point	128;
Thence	S	83°	31'	11"	E	451.89	meters to point	129;
Thence	S	82°	57'	32"	E	677.11	meters to point	130;
Thence	N	80°	38'	44"	E	436.81	meters to point	131;
Thence	N	67°	42'	10"	E	300.47	meters to point	132;
Thence	S	68°	22'	46"	E	352.82	meters to point	133;
Thence	N	62°	48'	25"	E	571.13	meters to point	134;
Thence	N	76°	30'	33"	E	458.66	meters to point	135;
Thence	S	63°	56'	53"	E	1,448.14	meters to point	136;
Thence	S	39°	11'	59"	E	944.58	meters to point	137;
Thence	S	5°	32'	35"	W	952.45	meters to point	138;
Thence	S	45°	30'	17"	E	321.04	meters to point	139;
Thence	S	33°	51'	30"	E	472.05	meters to point	140;
Thence	S	82°	33'	14"	E	841.09	meters to point	141;
Thence	S	68°	49'	51"	E	1,312.58	meters to point	142;
Thence	S	72°	21'	0"	E	554.08	meters to point	143;
Thence	S	58°	17'	58"	W	1,813.58	meters to point	144;
Thence	S	26°	41'	46"	E	977.16	meters to point	145;
Thence	S	17°	31'	32"	E	1,075.94	meters to point	146;
Thence	S	88°	32'	53"	E	868.28	meters to point	147;
Thence	S	32°	29'	36"	E	597.54	meters to point	148;
Thence	S	26°	21'	41"	E	1,006.68	meters to point	149;
Thence	S	17°	45'	42"	E	645.78	meters to point	150;
Thence	N	61°	39'	50"	E	766.89	meters to point	151;
Thence	N	63°	38'	55"	E	1,559.00	meters to point	152;
Thence	S	77°	51'	29"	E	594.30	meters to point	153;
Thence	S	83°	25'	13"	E	1,029.78	meters to point	154;
Thence	S	19°	15'	22"	W	397.22	meters to point	155;
Thence	S	46°	7'	36"	E	467.49	meters to point	156;
Thence	S	10°	28'	41"	W	621.36	meters to point	157;
Thence	S	5°	27'	41"	W	388.77	meters to point	158;
Thence	S	17°	5'	10"	E	255.27	meters to point	159;
Thence	S	73°	8'	10"	W	299.90	meters to point	160;
Thence	S	47°	42'	21"	W	374.48	meters to point	161;
Thence	S	45°	55'	22"	W	483.02	meters to point	162;
Thence	S	16°	23'	12"	W	379.28	meters to point	163;
Thence	S	17°	22'	46"	W	478.75	meters to point	164;
Thence	N	20°	53'	54"	W	1,037.25	meters to point	165;
Thence	N	48°	9'	46"	W	297.97	meters to point	166;
Thence	S	36°	1'	5"	W	246.58	meters to point	167;
Thence	S	10°	2'	43"	W	217.86	meters to point	168;
Thence	S	25°	45'	59"	W	342.76	meters to point	169;
Thence	S	70°	11'	11"	W	307.19	meters to point	170;
Thence	N	61°	53'	23"	W	352.59	meters to point	171;

Thence	N	82°	39'	24"	W	518.25	meters to point	172;
Thence	N	38°	40'	46"	W	235.21	meters to point	173;
Thence	S	89°	4'	47"	W	287.04	meters to point	174;
Thence	S	77°	48'	52"	W	438.89	meters to point	175;
Thence	N	45°	41'	29"	W	1,732.84	meters to point	176;
Thence	N	29°	9'	27"	W	617.63	meters to point	177;
Thence	N	29°	9'	27"	W	312.15	meters to point	178;
Thence	N	29°	5'	0"	W	483.46	meters to point	179;
Thence	N	44°	14'	36"	W	749.60	meters to point	180;
Thence	N	18°	1'	2"	W	911.72	meters to point	181;
Thence	N	35°	25'	5"	W	607.38	meters to point	182;
Thence	N	63°	4'	29"	W	355.54	meters to point	183;
Thence	N	27°	14'	10"	W	463.23	meters to point	184;
Thence	S	55°	47'	3"	W	373.67	meters to point	185;
Thence	N	42°	10'	58"	W	190.62	meters to point	186;
Thence	N	28°	10'	21"	W	243.58	meters to point	187;
Thence	N	32°	2'	19"	W	459.95	meters to point	188;
Thence	S	37°	54'	26"	W	428.07	meters to point	189;
Thence	S	85°	22'	39"	W	737.40	meters to point	190;
Thence	S	80°	57'	28"	W	222.77	meters to point	191;
Thence	N	26°	31'	56"	W	342.51	meters to point	192;
Thence	N	28°	28'	26"	E	578.91	meters to point	193;
Thence	N	1°	25'	46"	W	761.61	meters to point	194;
Thence	N	22°	34'	10"	W	554.49	meters to point	195;
Thence	N	22°	34'	10"	W	297.51	meters to point	1;

BUFFER ZONE 2

Beginning at a point marked "1" which is N 65°15'25" W, 2,059.163 meters from PRS 92 RML-3004 San Fernando, Romblon with geographic coordinates of 12°27'35.08" North and 122°39'42.82" East.

Thence	S	11°	17'	40"	E	1,082.46	meters to point	2;
Thence	S	73°	24'	32"	E	837.88	meters to point	3;
Thence	S	31°	6'	29"	W	510.98	meters to point	4;
Thence	S	20°	43'	35"	W	299.52	meters to point	5;
Thence	S	34°	47'	58"	W	1,145.95	meters to point	6;
Thence	S	9°	10'	14"	E	928.62	meters to point	7;
Thence	S	5°	25'	59"	W	1,204.03	meters to point	8;
Thence	S	42°	24'	40"	E	1,150.58	meters to point	9;
Thence	S	1°	53'	58"	E	271.53	meters to point	10;
Thence	S	86°	53'	31"	W	992.46	meters to point	11;
Thence	S	49°	11'	8"	W	646.12	meters to point	12;
Thence	S	38°	17'	53"	E	789.02	meters to point	13;
Thence	S	45°	28'	9"	E	955.29	meters to point	14;
Thence	S	1°	10'	9"	W	1,176.32	meters to point	15;
Thence	S	23°	35'	15"	E	1,569.42	meters to point	16;
Thence	S	19°	33'	23"	W	1,565.41	meters to point	17;
Thence	S	39°	0'	38"	E	727.60	meters to point	18;
Thence	S	66°	35'	25"	E	1,705.37	meters to point	19;
Thence	S	40°	14'	58"	W	414.79	meters to point	20;
Thence	S	66°	56'	32"	W	1,463.95	meters to point	21;
Thence	S	27°	53'	27"	W	1,336.08	meters to point	22;
Thence	S	0°	54'	2"	E	699.96	meters to point	23;
Thence	S	3°	29'	18"	W	378.00	meters to point	24;
Thence	S	55°	22'	29"	W	420.47	meters to point	25;
Thence	S	55°	22'	29"	W	420.47	meters to point	26;
Thence	S	0°	22'	18"	W	308.26	meters to point	27;
Thence	S	80°	8'	36"	W	465.88	meters to point	28;
Thence	S	25°	46'	47"	W	342.60	meters to point	29;
Thence	N	89°	11'	27"	W	558.06	meters to point	30;
Thence	N	2°	56'	38"	E	1,421.38	meters to point	31;

Thence	N	84°	33'	35"	W	1,085.89	meters to point	32;
Thence	N	51°	32'	38"	W	676.81	meters to point	33;
Thence	S	64°	58'	2"	E	242.81	meters to point	34;
Thence	N	73°	5'	41"	E	426.43	meters to point	35;
Thence	N	85°	53'	59"	E	279.72	meters to point	36;
Thence	N	40°	36'	56"	E	434.73	meters to point	37;
Thence	N	0°	58'	16"	W	413.06	meters to point	38;
Thence	N	2°	27'	36"	W	419.39	meters to point	39;
Thence	N	22°	5'	34"	E	401.48	meters to point	40;
Thence	N	24°	48'	51"	E	409.84	meters to point	41;
Thence	N	18°	47'	0"	E	208.08	meters to point	42;
Thence	N	2°	58'	53"	W	192.26	meters to point	43;
Thence	N	31°	55'	11"	E	1,346.62	meters to point	44;
Thence	N	23°	55'	11"	W	813.90	meters to point	45;
Thence	N	38°	28'	15"	E	851.93	meters to point	46;
Thence	N	22°	0'	41"	W	1,470.16	meters to point	47;
Thence	N	28°	27'	27"	E	717.72	meters to point	48;
Thence	N	34°	5'	36"	W	1,379.02	meters to point	49;
Thence	N	15°	27'	40"	E	487.65	meters to point	50;
Thence	N	53°	31'	51"	W	1,144.03	meters to point	51;
Thence	N	54°	42'	10"	W	692.26	meters to point	52;
Thence	N	12°	20'	49"	W	1,094.31	meters to point	53;
Thence	N	7°	26'	9"	E	548.61	meters to point	54;
Thence	N	33°	42'	28"	E	902.78	meters to point	55;
Thence	N	1°	21'	29"	E	1,603.45	meters to point	56;
Thence	N	30°	32'	43"	E	1,056.63	meters to point	57;
Thence	N	35°	28'	0"	W	1,127.14	meters to point	58;
Thence	N	40°	23'	22"	W	1,055.59	meters to point	59;
Thence	N	34°	13'	59"	W	1,317.20	meters to point	60;
Thence	N	25°	30'	0"	W	336.81	meters to point	61;
Thence	N	16°	59'	44"	W	314.75	meters to point	62;
Thence	N	18°	0'	58"	W	345.96	meters to point	63;
Thence	N	16°	27'	36"	W	275.28	meters to point	64;
Thence	N	61°	32'	50"	W	638.07	meters to point	65;
Thence	N	64°	26'	0"	W	333.67	meters to point	66;
Thence	N	83°	13'	33"	W	364.55	meters to point	67;
Thence	N	85°	15'	3"	W	326.12	meters to point	68;
Thence	N	47°	43'	35"	W	327.05	meters to point	69;
Thence	N	48°	55'	33"	W	289.18	meters to point	70;
Thence	N	29°	32'	35"	W	387.36	meters to point	71;
Thence	N	28°	54'	56"	W	359.86	meters to point	72;
Thence	N	52°	50'	30"	W	357.60	meters to point	73;
Thence	N	52°	30'	7"	W	346.62	meters to point	74;
Thence	N	50°	41'	36"	W	235.21	meters to point	75;
Thence	S	89°	51'	50"	W	421.00	meters to point	76;
Thence	S	61°	10'	39"	W	215.72	meters to point	77;
Thence	S	28°	8'	2"	W	767.71	meters to point	78;
Thence	S	29°	57'	5"	W	378.56	meters to point	79;
Thence	S	22°	46'	4"	E	506.46	meters to point	80;
Thence	S	80°	4'	25"	W	365.47	meters to point	81;
Thence	S	70°	22'	35"	W	381.14	meters to point	82;
Thence	S	14°	51'	50"	W	436.61	meters to point	83;
Thence	S	14°	39'	42"	W	355.58	meters to point	84;
Thence	S	20°	17'	25"	W	605.58	meters to point	85;
Thence	S	20°	6'	45"	W	529.28	meters to point	86;
Thence	S	84°	33'	35"	W	590.66	meters to point	87;
Thence	S	84°	31'	21"	W	513.34	meters to point	88;
Thence	S	69°	30'	47"	W	485.72	meters to point	89;
Thence	S	81°	45'	31"	W	509.26	meters to point	90;
Thence	S	70°	45'	54"	W	294.44	meters to point	91;
Thence	S	62°	4'	39"	W	471.94	meters to point	92;

Thence	S	58°	9'	51"	W	394.32	meters to point	93;
Thence	N	25°	56'	6"	W	569.34	meters to point	94;
Thence	N	16°	39'	4"	W	355.14	meters to point	95;
Thence	S	20°	38'	49"	E	98.59	meters to point	96;
Thence	S	34°	0'	27"	E	200.25	meters to point	97;
Thence	N	60°	33'	41"	E	231.95	meters to point	98;
Thence	N	3°	22'	33"	W	356.62	meters to point	99;
Thence	S	60°	26'	52"	E	369.01	meters to point	100;
Thence	N	84°	20'	34"	E	213.04	meters to point	101;
Thence	N	82°	48'	24"	E	415.27	meters to point	102;
Thence	N	76°	39'	39"	E	299.07	meters to point	103;
Thence	N	56°	34'	40"	E	355.84	meters to point	104;
Thence	N	84°	50'	40"	E	133.54	meters to point	105;
Thence	N	45°	38'	37"	E	125.87	meters to point	106;
Thence	N	12°	23'	13"	E	219.10	meters to point	107;
Thence	N	22°	9'	32"	W	267.78	meters to point	108;
Thence	N	8°	39'	9"	W	232.65	meters to point	109;
Thence	N	10°	33'	28"	W	283.80	meters to point	110;
Thence	N	63°	43'	7"	E	361.35	meters to point	111;
Thence	N	50°	34'	57"	E	377.97	meters to point	112;
Thence	N	63°	30'	12"	E	374.32	meters to point	113;
Thence	N	13°	18'	52"	W	442.91	meters to point	114;
Thence	N	13°	8'	23"	W	325.52	meters to point	115;
Thence	N	2°	3'	6"	E	335.22	meters to point	116;
Thence	N	11°	22'	24"	E	354.97	meters to point	117;
Thence	N	12°	12'	37"	E	312.06	meters to point	118;
Thence	S	40°	50'	25"	E	233.96	meters to point	119;
Thence	N	85°	52'	9"	E	541.41	meters to point	120;
Thence	S	77°	42'	38"	E	493.30	meters to point	121;
Thence	S	35°	39'	50"	E	475.11	meters to point	122;
Thence	N	31°	48'	19"	E	303.59	meters to point	123;
Thence	N	46°	32'	28"	E	315.48	meters to point	124;
Thence	N	53°	57'	8"	E	669.12	meters to point	125;
Thence	N	66°	19'	24"	E	208.56	meters to point	126;
Thence	N	31°	37'	32"	E	198.33	meters to point	127;
Thence	S	44°	26'	13"	E	477.06	meters to point	128;
Thence	N	83°	3'	47"	E	151.11	meters to point	129;
Thence	N	43°	52'	36"	E	180.35	meters to point	130;
Thence	N	83°	40'	18"	E	133.82	meters to point	131;
Thence	S	86°	38'	53"	E	335.57	meters to point	132;
Thence	S	10°	22'	5"	E	283.38	meters to point	133;
Thence	S	73°	12'	54"	E	192.19	meters to point	134;
Thence	N	27°	6'	45"	E	140.43	meters to point	135;
Thence	N	38°	19'	6"	E	209.67	meters to point	136;
Thence	N	89°	45'	50"	E	182.00	meters to point	137;
Thence	S	66°	10'	2"	E	258.00	meters to point	138;
Thence	S	88°	38'	11"	E	121.03	meters to point	139;
Thence	N	78°	56'	4"	E	129.46	meters to point	140;
Thence	S	48°	29'	56"	E	23.49	meters to point	141;
Thence	S	44°	32'	53"	E	38.75	meters to point	142;
Thence	S	51°	17'	5"	E	18.19	meters to point	143;
Thence	S	61°	5'	8"	E	13.56	meters to point	144;
Thence	S	70°	21'	18"	E	13.93	meters to point	145;
Thence	S	78°	56'	7"	E	14.64	meters to point	146;
Thence	S	87°	45'	19"	E	15.94	meters to point	147;
Thence	N	81°	38'	11"	E	3.08	meters to point	148;
Thence	S	23°	42'	10"	E	63.82	meters to point	149;
Thence	S	82°	52'	30"	E	165.28	meters to point	150;
Thence	S	73°	13'	2"	E	197.41	meters to point	151;
Thence	S	27°	34'	28"	E	203.07	meters to point	152;
Thence	S	17°	14'	37"	E	209.15	meters to point	153;

Thence	N	78°	41'	49"	E	401.79	meters to point	154;
Thence	S	39°	41'	45"	E	427.42	meters to point	155;
Thence	S	0°	13'	51"	E	248.12	meters to point	156;
Thence	S	13°	17'	10"	E	178.41	meters to point	157;
Thence	S	55°	23'	40"	E	119.07	meters to point	158;
Thence	S	78°	17'	6"	E	263.49	meters to point	159;
Thence	N	88°	7'	7"	E	137.07	meters to point	160;
Thence	S	59°	11'	34"	E	486.67	meters to point	161;
Thence	S	14°	36'	0"	W	206.29	meters to point	162;
Thence	S	68°	54'	24"	E	299.04	meters to point	163;
Thence	N	89°	8'	30"	E	492.06	meters to point	164;
Thence	S	2°	13'	20"	W	618.97	meters to point	165;
Thence	S	14°	37'	33"	E	875.23	meters to point	166;
Thence	S	15°	33'	20"	E	742.06	meters to point	167;
Thence	S	22°	24'	58"	W	432.70	meters to point	168;
Thence	S	44°	38'	53"	E	633.23	meters to point	169;
Thence	N	60°	11'	30"	E	35.73	meters to point	170;
Thence	N	35°	23'	28"	E	184.75	meters to point	171;
Thence	N	80°	54'	22"	E	135.71	meters to point	172;
Thence	N	74°	34'	33"	E	133.82	meters to point	173;
Thence	N	15°	11'	3"	E	187.08	meters to point	174;
Thence	N	47°	41'	55"	E	59.49	meters to point	175;
Thence	S	74°	18'	58"	E	569.19	meters to point	176;
Thence	N	63°	45'	59"	E	231.88	meters to point	177;
Thence	N	80°	54'	52"	E	725.10	meters to point	1;

Such buffer zones covering an approximate aggregate area of **TEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED FOURTY SEVEN AND 55/100 (10,747.55) HECTARES** are hereby established for the purpose of providing an extra layer of protection around the protected area in which restrictions can apply and communities can assist in repelling threats to the protected area. Such buffer zones shall be managed under the authority of the Mt. Guiting-Guiting Protected Area Management Board, according to the prescribed management plan herein provided.

Sec. 4. Definition of Terms - The following terms are hereby defined for the purposes of this Act:

- Ancestral domain - refers to all lands and natural resources occupied or possessed by indigenous cultural communities, by themselves or through their ancestors communally or individually, in accordance with their customs and traditions since time immemorial, continuously to the present except when interrupted by war, force majeure, or displacement by force, deceit or stealth. It includes all adjacent areas generally belonging to them and which are necessary to ensure their economic, social and cultural welfare.
- Biodiversity – refers to the variety and variability among all living organisms and the ecological complex in which they occur.
- Non-government Organization – shall refer to any civic, developmental or philanthropic organization which is multi-sectoral in character.
- Non-renewable resources – shall refer to those resources found within the PA and its buffer zones, the natural replenishment rate of which is either not known or takes more than 25 year.
- People’s Organization – shall refer to any grouping of people formed to advance the interests of the sector represented, provided such sector is marginalized, poor or disempowered.
- Protected species – any individual species of plants and animals that are or shall be declared as protected under the Philippine laws, rules and regulations issued by the DENR, species

listed as protected against trade, hunting and harvest under International Conventions to which the Philippines is or will become signatory including but not limited to the Convention of International Trade of Endangered Species (CITES). In addition this includes protected species, species which may be restricted for use by regulations issued by the PAMB or DENR particularly mentioned in the management plan.

- g. Public Consultation - a meeting or dialogue with the concerned or affected individuals within and outside the protected area designed to identify and resolve issues and problems affecting them.
- h. Indigenous Cultural Communities - shall refer to tribes, including but not limited to Sibuyanon-Tagabukid, who have continuously lived as communities on communally bounded and defined land since time immemorial and have succeeded in preserving, maintaining and sharing common bonds or language, customs, traditions and other distinctive cultural traits.

Sec. 5. Management Plan - The Protected Area Superintendent (PASu) shall prepare the management plan in coordination with the appropriate offices of the DENR and local communities and tribal experts who have experience in the particular cultures in the area. The plan shall be in a language understandable in the area, plainly written and available for perusal to the general public of the PASu office.

The Management Plan shall be reviewed, approved and adopted by the Protected Area

Management Board (PAMB) and certified by the Secretary. Such certification is mandatory if the plan conforms to all laws, rules and regulations issued by the DENR of national application.

In no case shall the Management plan be revised or modified without prior approval from the PAMB. The PASu may propose amendments to the Management Plan as the need arises. Such proposed amendments shall be considered by the PAMB only after extensive consultations with the stakeholders.

The PASu shall prepare all successor plans. Two years before the expiration of the period of applicability of the plan in effect, the PASu shall cause publications of notices for comments and suggestions on the next successor plan in a newspaper of local circulation and the posting of such notices in the provincial, municipal and barangay halls and in three other areas frequented by the public. Public hearings may be conducted on the successor plan upon written request of any interested party. The proposed plan shall be made available for public perusal at the Office of the PASu upon the approval of the PAMB.

The zoning of the protected area shall give primary considerations to the traditional zones used and recognized by indigenous cultural communities and whenever applicable, those that have been sustainably used by tenured migrant communities for an appreciable length of time unless such uses are deemed detrimental to biodiversity and protection of the natural characteristics of the protected areas.

The plan shall be in language understandable in the area, plainly written and available for perusal to the general public at the PASu Office.

Sec. 6. Institutional Mechanisms - the following administrative and policy –making mechanism shall apply:

- A. There shall be Protected Area Management Board (PAMB) which shall be the policy making body of the protected area. It shall be composed of;

1. The Mayors of the municipalities with territory inside the protected area or their authorized representative;
2. The Barangay Captain or barangays with territory inside the protected area or their authorized representatives;
3. NGOs and Pos representatives concerned with protected area management and accredited with some municipality, chosen from among themselves, in each of the three municipalities within the protected area;
4. The Regional Executive Director of the DENR who shall act as chairman;
5. The Provincial Planning Development Officer shall sit as ex officio member to be endorsed by the Governor;
6. Representative from each indigenous cultural community within the protected area chosen using customary practices;

Every member of the PAMB shall serve for a term of 5 years and shall be considered to represent his or her sector deemed to carry the vote of such sector in all matters. In case of members who are government officials, the membership shall be attached to the office head.

The PAMB of Mt. Guiting-Guiting Natural Park shall have the following power and functions:

1. Issue all rules and regulations to prohibit and regulate acts that maybe prejudicial to the protected area and the policy declaration herein set forth.
2. Established criteria and set fees for the issuance of permits for the activities regulated by this Act, or the management plan.
3. Adopt rules of procedure for the conduct of business, including the creation of committees to whom its powers may be delegated.
4. Approve the management plan and oversee the office of the PASu.
5. Deputize interested individuals for the enforcement of laws, rules and regulations governing conduct in the protected area.
6. Accept donations, approve proposals for funding, budget allocations and exercise accountability over all funds that may accrue to the Mt. Guiting-Guiting Natural Park.
7. Retain legal counsel, either on a permanent or temporary basis, to defined cases against the PAMB and the PASu staff whenever they are sued in connection in the performance of their duties under this Act.

The DENR, through the RED, shall exercise authority to oversee the PAMB to ensure that it is acting within the scope of its powers and functions. In case of contradiction between administrative orders issued by the DENR pursuant to the NIPAS Act for national application and the rules and regulations issued by the PAMB, the PAMB in such cases, shall notify the Secretary of the DENR who shall then decide whether to apply the rule or withdraw its application for Mt. Guiting-Guiting Natural Park.

- B. The Protected Area Superintendent Office. There shall be a Protected Area Superintendent Office (PAO) within the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, who shall serve as the chief operating officer of the protected area. The PASu office shall be operationalised by the following permanent personnel created pursuant to this Act as following permanent personnel created pursuant to this Act as follows:

1. One (1) Protected Area Superintendent
2. One (1) Assistant Protected Area Superintendent
3. One (1) Ecosystem Management Specialist
4. One (1) Administrative Officer
5. One (1) Accounting Clerk
6. One (1) Clerk
7. One (1) Driver
8. One (1) Computer Operator/Encoder
9. One (1) Community Organizers (Information Officer)
10. One (1) Rural Development Officer
11. Twelve (12) Forest Rangers
12. One (1) Boatman

The PASu shall have the following powers and functions:

1. Prepare the management and successor plans as herein provided;
2. Serve as the Secretariat for the PAMB with the duty to provide the PAMB with all the information necessary for it to make appropriate decisions when necessary;
3. Hire, dismiss and supervise the necessary personnel to support operations as the budgets made available by the PAMB may allow;
4. Establish a productive partnership with the local community, including groups interested in the achievement of the goals and objective of the protected area and in the planning of protection and management thereof;
5. Develop and implement a park information, education and visitor program;
6. Enforce the laws, rules and regulations relevant to the protected area and assist in the prosecution of offenses;
7. Monitor all activities within the protected area for conformity with the management plan;
8. Perform such other functions as the PAMB may assign;
9. Implement policies, plans and programs as provided for in the Management Plan or any resolution duly adopted and approved by the PAMB.

Sec. 7. Ancestral Lands and Domains –For the purpose of this Act, the following shall govern Ancestral Lands and domains in the protected area:

- a. The rights of indigenous peoples to their ancestral domains are hereby fully recognized. Traditional property regimes exercises by indigenous cultural communities in accordance with their customary laws shall govern the relationship of all individuals within their communities with respect to all land and resources found within ancestral lands.
- b. All indigenous cultural community, through its representatives as provided in Sec. 7 herein may apply for Certificate of Ancestral Domain Title (CADT) as herein defined to be recorded in the same manner as Certificate of Title under the Property Registration Decree. Each CADT would contain documentation, if any, of the customary rights pertaining to the indigenous cultural community involve. Provided that, only one (1) applicable tenurial instrument will be issued in a given area to avoid future conflict. Such rules shall not, in any way, impair, diminish or effect a deprivation of the vested and customary of the community and its members, provided further that the non-documentation of these rights do not preclude their exercise under the law, and provided finally that there shall be no prescription for the exercise of these rights. For purposes of determining the existence of these rights in order to resolve conflicts, recourse to customs shall be given preference, with due consideration to the dynamism of culture.

- c. Presumptions – the following presumptions shall govern, unless proven to be contrary to documented or oral custom by clear and convincing evidence in the proper administrative or judicial proceeding providing due hearing to all parties concerned:
 - c1. All lands occupied by indigenous cultural communities since time immemorial shall be presumed to be ancestral lands;
 - c2. Rights and obligations within ancestral lands are presumed to be governed by customary laws;
 - c3. Rights and obligations within ancestral lands governed by customary law are presumed to be held collectively by the community;
 - c4. Rights and obligations within ancestral lands proven to be held by individuals under customary law are presumed to be held in the trust of such individuals for the whole community.

Owing to differences in cultural and social worldview, the provisions of the Act shall be construed liberally in favor of indigenous cultural communities and their members.

Sec. 8. Tenured Migrants and transient farmers – Tenured migrants are those members of households that have actually and continuously occupied the Mt. Guiting-Guiting Natural Park since February 20, 1991 and are substantially dependent on the protected area for their livelihood. For purposes of official documentation of rights and extent of occupation within the protected area, the tenured migrants household shall be issued a tenorial instrument over such areas as have been occupied or cultivated since February 20, 1991 or earlier. Tenured migrants may occupy and use the area specified in the instrument upon lapse of this period may negotiate for a new instrument and his occupancy shall be evaluated by the PAMB for purposes of such renewal.

If despite consideration paid to current practices, areas occupied by tenured migrants are designed as zones in which no occupation or other activities are allowed, provisions for their transfer to multiple use zones or buffer zones shall be accomplished using humanitarian considerations.

Persons who have been cultivating land within the protected area since February 20, 1991 are considered to be occupying such lands and shall be entitled to a tenorial instrument restricted to cultivation, provided that the rights under such can only be transferred to direct descendants.

Tenured migrant instruments may be cancelled for violation of the terms and conditions specified therein, upon the holder's repeated refusal to comply with management plan or the regulations set by the PAMB or by voluntary surrender of rights. Upon cancellation of a tenured migrant instrument, the PASu shall take immediate steps to rehabilitate the area in order to return it to its natural state prior to the cultivation or other act by the transient or tenured migrant.

Tenured migrant instruments are transferrable only to the nearest kin. Provided that if the land is idle for a minimum of five (5) years, the PAMB will initiate the control and management of the area.

Sec. 9. Prohibited Acts - The following shall be the prohibitions and penalties applicable to the protected area:

A. The penalties in Article 309 and 310 of the Revised Penal Code depending on the value of the resources taken, damage or destroyed shall be imposed upon any person who do:

1. Hunting, destroying, trapping, disturbing and possessing anywhere within Mt. Guiting-Guiting Natural Park of any wild plants or animals or products derived there from without a permit from the PAMB: Provided, that such permits shall only be given for scientific purposes necessary for the protected area management.
2. Cutting, gathering, collection or removing timber or forest products without permit from the PAMB;
3. Possessing outside the protected area any wild plants or animals or products derived there from which came from the protected area without a permit issued by PAMB;
4. Mineral exploration, drilling or prospecting for or extraction of minerals within Mt. Guiting-Guiting;
5. Constructing or maintaining any kind of road, structure, fence or enclosure without a permit from the PAMB, provided that structures within ancestral domains used by indigenous cultural communities need not be under a permit from the PAMB;
6. Altering, mutilating, excavating, removing, destroying or defacing boundaries, marks or signs, natural formations, burial grounds, religious sites, artifacts, objects belonging to indigenous cultural communities and other objects of natural and scenic value or affixing marks or signs on trees;
7. Occupation of any portion of land on undertaking any kind of activities either for agricultural or commercial purposes inside the buffer zone and protected area without a permit from the PAMB.

Valuation of the damage shall take into account biodiversity and conservation considerations as well as aesthetic and scenic value. Commission of these acts likewise carry the penalty of eviction from the Protected Area and the forfeiture of all transportation equipment, structures and building materials, equipment, devices weapons used for the commission of the offense as well as the protected area resources caught in the possession of the accused.

Sec. 10. Local Government Units. - Local government units (LGU) shall participate in the management of Mt. Guiting-Guiting Natural Park through representation in the PAMB as provided under Sec. 7 of this Act. The LGU retains its ordinance- making powers over the territory covered under this Act but with due consideration to the protected area management objectives. If a conflict between LGU and the protected area management objectives remains unresolved within the PAMB, it shall be resolve through mediation.

Sec. 11. Integrated Protected Area Funds of Mt. Guiting-Guiting Natural Park – The following shall constitute part of the Integrated Protected Area Funds and shall be subject to the PAMB acted policy the moment they accrue.

1. Proceeds from special land use and resource utilization and real property taxes from commercially used ancestral domains, as may be set by the PAMB;
2. Fees derived from permitted collection of wild flora and fauna and other resources within the protected area as may be set by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources and the PAMB;
3. Fees from industrial and facilities directly benefiting from the protected area;
4. Fines and fees, including protected area entry and visitor's/user fees, as may be imposed and collected from the operation of the protected area and set by the PAMB;

5. Contributions, donations, endowments and grants from any legal sources domestic or foreign for purposes related to their functions.

The local government unit shall continue to impose and collect all other fees not enumerated herein which it has traditionally collected such as but not limited to, business permits property taxes and rentals of local government unit facilities.

Sec. 12. Appropriation – To carry out the implementation of this Act, an annual aggregate amount of **FIVE MILLION EIGHT HUNDRED THIRTY ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SEVENTY ONE PESOS (PhP 5,831.871.00)** shall be included in the Annual General Appropriation Act.

Sec. 13. Repealing Clause – For the purpose of Mt. Guiting-Guiting Natural Park, all laws, rules and regulations inconsistent herewith are modified accordingly.

Sec. 14. Separability Clause - If any part or section of this Act is declared by the courts, as unconstitutional, such declaration shall not affect the other parts or sections hereof.

Sec. 15. Effectivity Clause - This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Approved: