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EXPLANATORY NOTE

The unfettered growth in human population and the rapid industrial advancement (resulting, more often than not, in environmental pollution) put an ever-increasing pressure on our country's natural resources. The case of Mt. Isarog—a well known bulwark of biodiversity—is a classic one.

This bill seeks to protect and conserve Mt. Isarog in the province of Camarines Sur. Mt. Isarog is a vital watershed with hot and cold springs, rivers, and waterfalls and is the water source of the surrounding localities. It has been home to a number of indigenous communities and to myriad animal and plant species endemic to the area. It has also boosted tourism in the province, generating income and jobs for the Bicolanos.

The objective of this proposed bill will be achieved by employing various mechanisms. First, buffer zones minimizing the harm to the natural park will be established. Second, a Mt. Isarog Natural Park–Protected Area Management Board (MINP-PAMB) with overall authority and jurisdiction over the MINP will be created. An MINP-PAMB Protected Area Office that shall implement rules covering national and natural parks will be put up. Fourth, this bill mandates the establishment of a General Management Plan which will serve as a blue print providing strategies and direction for implementing entities. This bill also spells out the roles of the concerned local government units, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, the indigenous cultural communities, and the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples in the protection and management of the MINP.

To preserve biodiversity in and the overall stability and health of the Mt. Isarog Natural Park, the approval of this bill is most urgently sought.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Gabriel H. Bordado, Jr.', written in a cursive style.

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**AN ACT DECLARING THE MT. ISAROG NATURAL PARK (MINP), IN
THE PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR, AS A PROTECTED AREA,
PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

Section 1. Title- This Act shall be known and referred to as the “Mt. Isarog Natural Park Act of 2017.”

Sec. 2. Declaration of Policy- Article II, Section 16, of the 1987 Constitution provides that “the state shall protect and advance the right of people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature.” Furthermore, Republic Act No. 7586, otherwise known as the National Integrated Protected Areas System (NIPAS) Act of 1992, and Republic Act No. 8371, otherwise known as the Indigenous Peoples Rights Act of 1997, provides for effective and efficient management of National and Natural parks for sustainable use and development with the full cooperation and collaboration between different stakeholders.

Sec. 3. Definition of Terms- For purposes of this Act the following are the terms and their corresponding definitions:

- a. “Ancestral Domain” refers to all lands and natural resources occupied or possessed by Indigenous Cultural Communities (ICCs), by themselves or through their ancestors, communal or individually, in accordance with their customs and traditions since time immemorial and 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.
- b. “Bioprospecting” refers to the research, collection and utilization of biological and genetic resources for the purpose of applying the knowledge derived therefrom for commercial and academic purposes.
- c. “Buffer Zone” refers to the identified areas outside the boundaries of and the immediately adjacent to Mt. Isarog Natural Park (MINP) pursuant to Section 6 hereof that need special development control in order to avoid or harm to the Natural Park.
- d. “By-Products” or “Derivatives” refers to any part taken or substance extracted from wildlife, in raw or in processed form. This includes stuffed animals and herbarium specimens.

- e. "Certificate of Ancestral Domain Claim (CADC)" refers to the land tenure instrument issued by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources recognizing the claim of indigenous cultural communities on land, resources and rights thereon within a defined territory.
- f. "Certificate of Ancestral Domain Title (CADT)" refers to the titles formally recognizing the rights of possession and ownership of Indigenous Peoples and ICCs over their ancestral domain identified and delineated in accordance with the IPRA law or Republic Act 8371.
- g. "Chainsaw" refers to any portable power saw or similar cutting implement, rendered operative by an electric or internal combustion engine or similar means that may be used for, but not limited to, the felling of trees or cutting of timbers.
- h. "Collection" or "Collecting" refers to the act of gathering or harvesting wildlife, its by-products or derivatives.
- i. "Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP)" refers to the plan formulated by Local Government Units mandated by Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code.
- j. "Disturbance of Wildlife" refers to any act that alters the natural condition of the area.
- k. "Exotic Species" refers to the species or sub-species that do not naturally occur within the MINP at present or in historical time. It shall include genetically modified organisms (GMOs).
- l. "Habitat" refers to the place or environment where species or sub-species naturally occur or has naturally established its population.
- m. "Indigenous Cultural Communities/Indigenous Peoples" refers to the indigenous people as defined under Republic Act 8371, otherwise known as the Indigenous People's Rights Act (IPRA) of 1997, specifically the Agtas of the Mt. Isarog Natural Park.
- n. "Integrated Protected Areas fund (IPAF)" refers to the trust fund established for the purpose of financing projects, as provided in Republic Act 7586, otherwise known as the NIPAS Act of 1992.
- o. "Littering" refers to the disposal of small amount of non-biodegradable solid waste materials such as, cigarette butts, candy wrapper, plastic bags, bottles, glasses, in the MINP which may cause or contributed to the deterioration of the resources or habitats therein.
- p. "Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)" refers to the agreement among the Protected Area Management Board (PAMB) of MINP and other concerned parties with a common objective or undertaking a specific activity for the Natural Park.
- q. National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP)" is the primary government agency responsible for the formulation and implementation of policies, plans and programs to recognize, protect and promote the rights of ICCs/IPs.
- r. "National Integrated Protected Areas System (NIPAS)" refers to the classification and Administration of all designated protected areas to maintain essential ecological processes and life-support systems, to preserve genetic diversity, to ensure sustainable use of resources

found therein, and to maintain their natural conditions to the greatest extent possible, as provided for in Republic Act 7586.

- s. "National Park" refers to one of the classifications of public domain as provided for in the Constitution specifically designated for the protection of the natural heritage comprising the important plants and animals and habitats of the country.
- t. "Natural Park" refers to one of the categories of the protected areas as defined in the Natinal Integrated Protected Areas System Act of 1992. It shall refer to a relatively large area not materially altered by human activity, where extractive resource uses are not allowed and maintained to protect outstanding natural and scenic area of national or international significance for scientific, educational and recreational use.
- u. "Non-Government Organization (NGO)" refers to any civic, developmental, philanthropic non-stock, non-profit organization, duly registered, having by-laws, democratically-elected members, and multi-sectoral in character.
- v. "People's Organization (PO)" pertains to any group of people formed to advance the interest of the sector they represent.
- w. "Power saw" refers t a mechanized cutting machine powered by an engine or electric power supply.
- x. "Protected Area" refers to the identified portion of land and water set aside by reason of their unique physical and biological significance, managed to enhance biological diversity and protected against destructive human exploitation, and unless the context otherwise provides, shall refer to the Mt. Isarog Natural Park.
- y. "Resource User's Fee" refers to the amount exacted from the use of the resource, which is being paid annually (periodically).
- z. "Tenured Migrant Communities" are communities within protected areas which have actually and continuously occupied such areas for five (5) years before the designation of the same as protected areas in accordance with this Act and are solely dependent therein for subsistence, as provided is Republic Act 7586.
- aa. "Threatened Species" shall be a general term to denote species or sub-species considered as critically endangered, vulnerable or other accepted categories of wildlife whose population is at risk of extinction.
- bb. "Waste" means the waste materials generated from the use of resource for ecotourism and other industrial purposes.
- cc. "Wildlife" refers to the wild forms and varieties of plants and animals in all development stages, including those which are in captivity or are being bred or propagated.

Sec. 4. Definition of Scope and Coverage- Pursuant to and in accordance with Republic Act 7586, otherwise known as the NIPAS Act of 1992, Mt. Isarog, located in the municipalities of Pili, Ocampo, Tigaon, Goa, Tinambac, Calabanga and the City of Naga in the province of Camarines Sur, is hereby

declared a National Park and a Natural Park and established as part of the NIPAS under the category of Natural Park as defined herein. It shall be referred to as Mt. Isarog Natural Park (MINP) and shall have the following technical description, to wit:

Beginning at a point marked "1" on DENR NIPAS Map No. 8 at N 4°30' W. 3,228.21 meters more or less. From BLLM No. 1 at 13°33'40.225" latitude and 123°22'27.734 longitude, Barrio Mabato-bato, Pili, Camarines Sur.

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N	42°	21'	W	461.67 meters to corner 2;
N	41°	44'	W	189.48 meters to corner 3;
N	80°	02'	W	241.90 meters to corner 4;
S	69°	38'	W	193.48 meters to corner 5;
N	64°	30'	W	349.66 meters to corner 6;
N	12°	41'	W	687.70 meters to corner 7;
N	42°	58'	E	538.98 meters to corner 8;
N	07°	56'	W	71.01 meters to corner 9;
N	52°	04'	W	118.05 meters to corner 10;
N	06°	18'	E	165.16 meters to corner 11;
N	51°	17'	W	43.64 meters to corner 12;
S	21°	38'	W	251.44 meters to corner 13;
S	02°	19'	W	71.87 meters to corner 14;
S	71°	43'	W	59.20 meters to corner 15;
S	38°	49'	W	53.21 meters to corner 16;
S	26°	15'	W	58.34 meters to corner 17;
S	55°	07'	W	134.94 meters to corner 18;
S	08°	29'	E	6.99 meters to corner 19;
N	74°	46'	W	13.82 meters to corner 20;
N	15°	33'	E	545.82 meters to corner 21;
N	72°	57'	W	67.75 meters to corner 22;
N	05°	58'	W	64.97 meters to corner 23;
S	88°	05'	E	21.58 meters to corner 24;
N	00°	36'	E	29.87 meters to corner 25;
N	11°	50'	W	473.02 meters to corner 26;
S	87°	15'	E	206.18 meters to corner 27;
N	03°	07'	W	140.24 meters to corner 28;
N	65°	29'	W	146.38 meters to corner 29;
S	43°	28'	W	200.74 meters to corner 30;
S	10°	30'	W	262.86 meters to corner 31;
S	66°	54'	E	67.72 meters to corner 32;
S	61°	25'	W	293.89 meters to corner 33;
S	01°	14'	W	49.82 meters to corner 34;
S	04°	16'	W	81.98 meters to corner 35;
S	79°	58'	W	22.73 meters to corner 36;
S	02°	46'	E	42.87 meters to corner 37;
S	22°	48'	W	581.16 meters to corner 38;
S	69°	15'	E	361.32 meters to corner 39;
S	07°	41'	W	522.47 meters to corner 40;
N	89°	59'	W	1,112.98 meters to corner 41;

181	N	89°	25'	W	432.30 meters to corner 42;
182	N	17°	42'	E	439.10 meters to corner 43;
183	N	12°	28'	E	369.04 meters to corner 44;
184	N	06°	39'	E	241.44 meters to corner 45;
185	N	68°	04'	E	363.35 meters to corner 46;
186	N	56°	43'	E	135.28 meters to corner 47;
187	N	32°	41'	E	178.90 meters to corner 48;
188	N	28°	58'	W	241.49 meters to corner 49;
189	N	36°	38'	E	248.22 meters to corner 50;
190	N	14°	44'	E	285.54 meters to corner 51;
191	N	51°	35'	W	54.75 meters to corner 52;
192	S	33°	58'	W	287.57 meters to corner 53;
193	N	88°	35'	W	486.78 meters to corner 54;
194	N	56°	25'	E	775.38 meters to corner 55;
195	N	35°	22'	W	146.50 meters to corner 56;
196	N	73°	13'	W	20.99 meters to corner 57;
197	N	12°	36'	E	59.19 meters to corner 58;
198	S	84°	01'	E	58.31 meters to corner 59;
199	N	58°	45'	E	114.97 meters to corner 60;
200	N	29°	48'	W	186.30 meters to corner 61;
201	S	47°	33'	W	148.56 meters to corner 62;
202	N	53°	00'	W	117.29 meters to corner 63;
203	N	07°	09'	W	96.40 meters to corner 64;
204	N	51°	56'	E	95.20 meters to corner 65;
205	N	12°	14'	E	268.30 meters to corner 66;
206	N	28°	10'	E	74.45 meters to corner 67;
207	N	62°	20'	E	173.85 meters to corner 68;
208	S	67°	51'	E	733.56 meters to corner 69;
209	S	26°	18'	E	149.23 meters to corner 70;
210	N	60°	34'	E	165.69 meters to corner 71;
211	N	14°	21'	W	112.85 meters to corner 72;
212	S	72°	39'	W	191.14 meters to corner 73;
213	N	67°	51'	W	733.56 meters to corner 74;
214	N	06°	51'	W	28.70 meters to corner 75;
215	S	79°	50'	W	49.77 meters to corner 76;
216	S	64°	15'	W	57.40 meters to corner 77;
217	S	73°	16'	W	72.21 meters to corner 78;
218	S	28°	16'	W	59.39 meters to corner 79;
219	S	51°	45'	W	121.32 meters to corner 80;
220	S	37°	59'	W	32.14 meters to corner 81;
221	S	37°	39'	W	32.17 meters to corner 82;
222	N	84°	09'	W	40.62 meters to corner 83;
223	S	85°	29'	W	257.66 meters to corner 84;
224	N	30°	14'	E	161.95 meters to corner 85;
225	N	17°	23'	E	137.37 meters to corner 86;
226	N	13°	53'	E	152.14 meters to corner 87;
227	N	27°	03'	W	119.61 meters to corner 88;
228	S	53°	08'	W	125.00 meters to corner 89;
229	S	25°	32'	W	317.78 meters to corner 90;
230	S	83°	42'	E	215.12 meters to corner 91;

231	S	30°	14'	W	161.95 meters to corner 92;
232	S	59°	39'	W	147.64 meters to corner 93;
233	S	65°	16'	W	163.55 meters to corner 94;
234	S	40°	21'	W	420.44 meters to corner 95;
235	N	65°	24'	W	273.59 meters to corner 96;
236	N	38°	25'	E	266.82 meters to corner 97;
237	N	25°	18'	E	168.55 meters to corner 98;
238	N	07°	23'	W	211.50 meters to corner 99;
239	N	63°	31'	E	101.93 meters to corner 100;
240	N	15°	43'	E	57.08 meters to corner 101;
241	N	31°	50'	E	282.11 meters to corner 102;
242	N	07°	00'	E	116.61 meters to corner 103;
243	N	30°	47'	E	50.16 meters to corner 104;
244	N	56°	11'	W	34.22 meters to corner 105;
245	S	63°	45'	W	137.02 meters to corner 106;
246	S	30°	35'	W	40.48 meters to corner 107;
247	S	47°	46'	W	172.47 meters to corner 108;
248	S	36°	06'	W	66.73 meters to corner 109;
249	S	11°	19'	W	36.95 meters to corner 110;
250	S	49°	17'	W	126.83 meters to corner 111;
251	S	06°	44'	E	33.64 meters to corner 112;
252	S	30°	08'	E	58.06 meters to corner 113;
253	S	07°	07'	E	309.96 meters to corner 114;
254	S	34°	46'	W	144.74 meters to corner 115;
255	S	77°	18'	W	62.85 meters to corner 116;
256	N	79°	33'	W	279.06 meters to corner 117;
257	S	20°	34'	W	297.87 meters to corner 118;
258	S	61°	27'	W	353.32 meters to corner 119;
259	N	62°	31'	W	122.77 meters to corner 120;
260	N	08°	23'	W	151.51 meters to corner 121;
261	N	81°	31'	W	262.31 meters to corner 122;
262	N	58°	19'	W	320.17 meters to corner 123;
263	N	56°	36'	W	232.92 meters to corner 124;
264	N	43°	38'	E	338.14 meters to corner 125;
265	N	32°	47'	E	314.74 meters to corner 126;
266	N	08°	51'	W	140.59 meters to corner 127;
267	N	21°	33'	W	289.47 meters to corner 128;
268	N	29°	56'	W	108.25 meters to corner 129;
269	N	10°	12'	E	421.74 meters to corner 130;
270	S	68°	50'	E	202.97 meters to corner 131;
271	N	27°	42'	E	300.91 meters to corner 132;
272	N	40°	21'	W	336.59 meters to corner 133;
273	N	51°	45'	E	234.93 meters to corner 134;
274	N	35°	49'	W	125.12 meters to corner 135;
275	N	79°	37'	W	332.64 meters to corner 136;
276	N	87°	29'	W	110.81 meters to corner 137;
277	N	27°	15'	W	81.28 meters to corner 138;
278	N	04°	30'	W	395.12 meters to corner 139;
279	N	46°	30'	E	207.66 meters to corner 140;
280	N	07°	16'	W	205.02 meters to corner 141;

281	N	04°	55'	W	436.79 meters to corner 142;
282	N	89°	52'	E	679.71 meters to corner 143;
283	S	64°	55'	E	224.42 meters to corner 144;
284	N	52°	24'	E	97.35 meters to corner 145;
285	N	78°	23'	E	437.89 meters to corner 146;
286	N	02°	16'	W	51.68 meters to corner 147;
287	N	86°	48'	W	421.69 meters to corner 148;
288	N	85°	13'	W	207.10 meters to corner 149;
289	S	28°	51'	W	165.43 meters to corner 150;
290	S	89°	52'	W	679.71 meters to corner 151;
291	N	40°	55'	W	447.51 meters to corner 152;
292	N	52°	59'	E	223.12 meters to corner 153;
293	N	55°	27'	E	360.07 meters to corner 154;
294	S	86°	55'	E	486.89 meters to corner 155;
295	N	64°	59'	E	459.42 meters to corner 156;
296	N	18°	42'	E	86.36 meters to corner 157;
297	N	85°	14'	W	258.72 meters to corner 158;
298	N	61°	10'	W	511.04 meters to corner 159;
299	N	11°	30'	E	239.56 meters to corner 160;
300	S	88°	11'	E	318.01 meters to corner 161;
301	N	19°	27'	E	183.10 meters to corner 162;
302	N	57°	23'	W	283.92 meters to corner 163;
303	N	16°	08'	W	245.32 meters to corner 164;
304	S	83°	30'	W	253.22 meters to corner 165;
305	S	63°	40'	W	352.98 meters to corner 166;
306	N	24°	51'	W	309.81 meters to corner 167;
307	N	65°	55'	E	474.70 meters to corner 168;
308	N	68°	56'	E	489.41 meters to corner 169;
309	N	37°	34'	E	375.92 meters to corner 170;
310	S	82°	07'	E	241.04 meters to corner 171;
311	N	03°	33'	E	184.35 meters to corner 172;
312	N	39°	58'	W	424.15 meters to corner 173;
313	N	71°	05'	W	261.16 meters to corner 174;
314	N	06°	38'	W	244.94 meters to corner 175;
315	N	88°	54'	E	437.62 meters to corner 176;
316	N	89°	11'	E	681.44 meters to corner 177;
317	N	08°	04'	E	462.50 meters to corner 178;
318	N	79°	58'	E	396.10 meters to corner 179;
319	N	21°	41'	E	419.62 meters to corner 180;
320	N	68°	46'	E	235.52 meters to corner 181;
321	N	16°	22'	E	167.36 meters to corner 182;
322	N	59°	56'	W	198.36 meters to corner 183;
323	N	25°	34'	W	462.80 meters to corner 184;
324	N	36°	29'	E	110.06 meters to corner 185;
325	S	51°	54'	E	455.99 meters to corner 186;
326	N	71°	17'	E	361.02 meters to corner 187;
327	S	85°	48'	E	436.66 meters to corner 188;
328	N	57°	15'	E	257.54 meters to corner 189;
329	N	16°	48'	W	470.24 meters to corner 190;
330	N	25°	36'	W	420.25 meters to corner 191;

331	N	65°	25'	E	103.38 meters to corner 192;
332	S	58°	55'	E	438.05 meters to corner 193;
333	N	37°	50'	E	507.50 meters to corner 194;
334	N	84°	40'	E	558.19 meters to corner 195;
335	N	32°	45'	E	343.16 meters to corner 196;
336	S	60°	38'	E	285.40 meters to corner 197;
337	S	12°	46'	E	396.84 meters to corner 198;
338	S	78°	48'	E	159.92 meters to corner 199;
339	S	05°	26'	W	16.70 meters to corner 200;
340	S	89°	13'	E	11.01 meters to corner 201;
341	S	35°	46'	E	68.42 meters to corner 202;
342	S	31°	49'	E	93.62 meters to corner 203;
343	S	30°	02'	W	22.37 meters to corner 204;
344	S	33°	45'	E	101.52 meters to corner 205;
345	S	80°	31'	E	110.11 meters to corner 206;
346	S	83°	13'	E	162.18 meters to corner 207;
347	S	07°	46'	W	355.62 meters to corner 208;
348	S	65°	13'	E	313.82 meters to corner 209;
349	N	21°	36'	E	278.57 meters to corner 210;
350	N	14°	34'	W	254.78 meters to corner 211;
351	N	24°	49'	E	340.44 meters to corner 212;
352	N	73°	48'	E	147.67 meters to corner 213;
353	S	20°	13'	E	293.46 meters to corner 214;
354	S	28°	22'	W	102.64 meters to corner 215;
355	S	10°	24'	E	95.57 meters to corner 216;
356	S	41°	18'	E	134.80 meters to corner 217;
357	S	10°	37'	E	361.06 meters to corner 218;
358	S	29°	16'	W	423.57 meters to corner 219;
359	S	25°	01'	E	302.86 meters to corner 220;
360	N	25°	19'	E	441.31 meters to corner 221;
361	N	76°	05'	E	289.98 meters to corner 222;
362	S	11°	27'	W	215.02 meters to corner 223;
363	N	67°	32'	E	183.70 meters to corner 224;
364	N	41°	36'	E	383.04 meters to corner 225;
365	N	32°	46'	E	315.82 meters to corner 226;
366	N	06°	38'	E	498.77 meters to corner 227;
367	N	08°	08'	W	319.72 meters to corner 228;
368	N	04°	35'	E	341.77 meters to corner 229;
369	N	63°	23'	E	219.86 meters to corner 230;
370	S	87°	13'	E	421.33 meters to corner 231;
371	S	13°	29'	W	118.49 meters to corner 232;
372	S	86°	15'	W	160.23 meters to corner 233;
373	S	86°	03'	W	292.67 meters to corner 234;
374	S	34°	14'	E	132.36 meters to corner 235;
375	S	88°	46'	E	186.50 meters to corner 236;
376	S	74°	21'	E	320.87 meters to corner 237;
377	N	45°	47'	E	188.16 meters to corner 238;
378	S	02°	53'	E	398.58 meters to corner 239;
379	S	45°	00'	W	311.86 meters to corner 240;
380	S	04°	18'	E	595.84 meters to corner 241;

381	S	85°	25'	E	224.26 meters to corner 242;
382	S	22°	40'	W	525.53 meters to corner 243;
383	S	52°	37'	E	213.34 meters to corner 244;
384	S	27°	49'	W	323.16 meters to corner 245;
385	S	18°	20'	W	226.36 meters to corner 246;
386	S	89°	17'	E	324.02 meters to corner 247;
387	N	30°	45'	W	211.10 meters to corner 248;
388	N	00°	02'	W	186.21 meters to corner 249;
389	N	86°	02'	E	113.52 meters to corner 250;
390	S	51°	53'	E	284.93 meters to corner 251;
391	S	05°	04'	E	260.92 meters to corner 252;
392	S	41°	04'	E	221.42 meters to corner 253;
393	N	83°	52'	W	297.32 meters to corner 254;
394	S	21°	21'	E	127.28 meters to corner 255;
395	S	78°	33'	E	226.60 meters to corner 256;
396	S	20°	52'	E	95.77 meters to corner 257;
397	S	54°	45'	E	169.56 meters to corner 258;
398	S	75°	02'	W	63.61 meters to corner 259;
399	S	14°	18'	W	78.88 meters to corner 260;
400	S	50°	16'	W	193.60 meters to corner 261;
401	S	74°	56'	W	54.83 meters to corner 262;
402	S	02°	20'	W	22.04 meters to corner 263;
403	S	66°	56'	W	55.70 meters to corner 264;
404	S	05°	59'	W	49.15 meters to corner 265;
405	S	71°	41'	E	227.41 meters to corner 266;
406	S	06°	40'	W	141.65 meters to corner 267;
407	N	86°	45'	E	40.23 meters to corner 268;
408	N	10°	33'	E	154.32 meters to corner 269;
409	S	67°	39'	E	186.66 meters to corner 270;
410	S	27°	24'	W	424.96 meters to corner 271;
411	S	36°	51'	E	141.96 meters to corner 272;
412	N	51°	01'	E	372.98 meters to corner 273;
413	N	80°	50'	E	196.94 meters to corner 274;
414	S	07°	36'	E	258.37 meters to corner 275;
415	S	63°	42'	E	246.98 meters to corner 276;
416	N	58°	49'	E	124.22 meters to corner 277;
417	S	03°	09'	E	140.83 meters to corner 278;
418	S	75°	51'	E	148.83 meters to corner 279;
419	S	03°	39'	E	224.96 meters to corner 280;
420	S	77°	45'	W	191.22 meters to corner 281;
421	S	29°	03'	E	34.34 meters to corner 282;
422	S	57°	32'	W	215.80 meters to corner 283;
423	S	00°	38'	E	89.52 meters to corner 284;
424	N	72°	55'	E	155.76 meters to corner 285;
425	S	36°	20'	E	171.94 meters to corner 286;
426	N	45°	58'	E	268.30 meters to corner 287;
427	N	77°	24'	E	260.74 meters to corner 288;
428	S	50°	29'	E	168.58 meters to corner 289;
429	S	26°	52'	W	302.40 meters to corner 290;

430	N	81°	46'	E	216.82 meters to corner 291;
431	N	45°	25'	E	157.25 meters to corner 292;
432	S	55°	13'	E	151.46 meters to corner 293;
433	S	54°	12'	W	566.12 meters to corner 294;
434	S	49°	35'	E	358.32 meters to corner 295;
435	S	16°	01'	E	218.12 meters to corner 296;
436	S	33°	03'	W	340.18 meters to corner 297;
437	S	00°	03'	E	234.88 meters to corner 298;
438	N	82°	40'	E	243.74 meters to corner 299;
439	S	86°	25'	E	358.24 meters to corner 300;
440	N	71°	08'	E	264.09 meters to corner 301;
441	S	07°	57'	W	239.31 meters to corner 302;
442	S	69°	48'	W	368.67 meters to corner 303;
443	S	09°	21'	E	142.13 meters to corner 304;
444	N	56°	12'	W	254.96 meters to corner 305;
445	S	66°	33'	W	303.82 meters to corner 306;
446	S	24°	31'	W	210.11 meters to corner 307;
447	S	89°	32'	E	306.91 meters to corner 308;
448	S	08°	59'	W	122.77 meters to corner 309;
449	S	76°	01'	W	479.51 meters to corner 310;
450	N	48°	32'	W	138.21 meters to corner 311;
451	S	73°	46'	W	179.91 meters to corner 312;
452	S	08°	38'	E	214.20 meters to corner 313;
453	S	35°	16'	W	165.66 meters to corner 314;
454	S	19°	43'	E	247.83 meters to corner 315;
455	S	11°	39'	E	313.25 meters to corner 316;
456	N	89°	18'	W	195.05 meters to corner 317;
457	S	19°	07'	E	134.13 meters to corner 318;
458	S	75°	41'	E	158.11 meters to corner 319;
459	S	36°	55'	E	393.24 meters to corner 320;
460	N	87°	56'	E	438.24 meters to corner 321;
461	S	04°	43'	E	403.83 meters to corner 322;
462	N	32°	50'	W	286.24 meters to corner 323;
463	S	51°	40'	W	160.16 meters to corner 324;
464	N	67°	36'	W	205.40 meters to corner 325;
465	S	20°	01'	W	98.65 meters to corner 326;
466	N	74°	05'	W	159.07 meters to corner 327;
467	S	14°	59'	W	37.96 meters to corner 328;
468	S	03°	38'	E	86.77 meters to corner 329;
469	S	85°	17'	W	346.48 meters to corner 330;
470	N	16°	07'	W	121.59 meters to corner 331;
471	N	71°	47'	W	296.68 meters to corner 332;
472	S	40°	44'	W	96.27 meters to corner 333;
473	S	60°	52'	E	465.30 meters to corner 334;

474	S	56°	38'	E	371.42 meters to corner 335;
475	S	67°	18'	E	382.92 meters to corner 336;
476	S	11°	04'	W	287.70 meters to corner 337;
477	N	88°	29'	W	287.87 meters to corner 338;
478	N	58°	32'	W	308.31 meters to corner 339;
479	N	86°	34'	W	227.02 meters to corner 340;
480	S	44°	48'	W	250.02 meters to corner 341;
481	S	33°	34'	E	39.15 meters to corner 342;
482	S	86°	29'	E	29.13 meters to corner 343;
483	S	57°	47'	E	43.58 meters to corner 344;
484	S	01°	50'	E	84.17 meters to corner 345;
485	S	06°	52'	E	83.53 meters to corner 346;
486	S	15°	54'	W	44.75 meters to corner 347;
487	S	29°	32'	E	38.82 meters to corner 348;
488	S	55°	09'	E	89.71 meters to corner 349;
489	S	17°	01'	E	14758 meters to corner 350;
490	S	36°	20'	W	322.67 meters to corner 351;
491	S	70°	16'	E	162.10 meters to corner 352;
492	S	13°	14'	E	240.42 meters to corner 353;
493	N	68°	51'	W	479.61 meters to corner 354;
494	S	78°	52'	W	28.36 meters to corner 355;
495	N	50°	27'	W	463.17 meters to corner 356;
496	S	35°	43'	W	73.89 meters to corner 357;
497	S	18°	26'	E	344.47 meters to corner 358;
498	S	88°	29'	E	119.76 meters to corner 359;
499	N	66°	08'	E	81.4 meters to corner 360;
500	S	61°	45'	E	49.89 meters to corner 361;
501	S	08°	48'	W	135.34 meters to corner 362;
502	S	25°	30'	W	531.86 meters to corner 363;
503	N	69°	33'	W	587.15 meters to corner 364;
504	N	23°	36'	E	63.02 meters to corner 365;
505	N	34°	50'	W	58.93 meters to corner 366;
506	N	09°	33'	W	124.42 meters to corner 367;
507	N	15°	11'	W	30.12 meters to corner 368;
508	N	05°	33'	E	36.00 meters to corner 369;
509	N	17°	02'	W	102.62 meters to corner 370;
510	N	02°	43'	W	48.42 meters to corner 371;
511	N	16°	48'	E	127.97 meters to corner 372;
512	S	60°	01'	W	391.13 meters to corner 373;
513	S	60°	47'	E	97.79 meters to corner 374;
514	S	33°	27'	E	82.78 meters to corner 375;
515	S	15°	32'	E	53.82 meters to corner 376;
516	S	31°	27'	E	70.84 meters to corner 377;
517	S	60°	12'	E	77.40 meters to corner 378;

518	S	78°	02'	E	34.46 meters to corner 379;
519	S	23°	59'	E	23.42 meters to corner 380;
520	S	47°	44'	E	70.74 meters to corner 381;
521	S	40°	58'	E	35.10 meters to corner 382;
522	S	78°	55'	W	450.16 meters to corner 383;
523	N	63°	42'	W	91.56 meters to corner 384;
524	S	49°	16'	W	67.75 meters to corner 385;
525	S	00°	55'	W	33.40 meters to corner 386;
526	S	17°	23'	W	98.58 meters to corner 387;
527	S	13°	30'	E	50.19 meters to corner 388;
528	S	74°	12'	E	104.68 meters to corner 389;
529	N	13°	45'	E	214.55 meters to corner 390;
530	N	78°	55'	E	120.16 meters to corner 391;
531	S	69°	33'	E	587.15 meters to corner 392;
532	S	30°	13'	E	468.01 meters to corner 393;
533	S	35°	57'	W	245.03 meters to corner 394;
534	S	84°	20'	W	373.52 meters to corner 395;
535	N	17°	34'	W	161.52 meters to corner 396;
536	S	40°	25'	W	255.15 meters to corner 397;
537	S	17°	11'	E	344.28 meters to corner 398;
538	S	09°	50'	W	268.10 meters to corner 399;
539	N	12°	57'	W	242.54 meters to corner 400;
540	S	64°	47'	W	35.46 meters to corner 401;
541	S	00°	47'	W	332.08 meters to corner 402;
542	S	32°	41'	E	204.07 meters to corner 403;
543	S	83°	27'	W	141.71 meters to corner 404;
544	N	31°	09'	W	196.06 meters to corner 405;
545	S	70°	04'	W	87.26 meters to corner 406;
546	S	73°	16'	W	225.52 meters to corner 407;
547	S	22°	55'	W	159.79 meters to corner 408;
548	S	87°	15'	W	159.92 meters to corner 409;
549	S	11°	33'	W	436.47 meters to corner 410;
550	S	02°	13'	W	409.71 meters to corner 411;
551	N	88°	09'	W	171.06 meters to corner 412;
552	N	69°	43'	W	393.49 meters to corner 413;
553	N	36°	35'	E	389.78 meters to corner 414;
554	N	46°	45'	E	151.96 meters to corner 415;
555	N	31°	55'	E	136.08 meters to corner 416;
556	N	05°	04'	W	240.98 meters to corner 417;
557	N	11°	45'	W	211.12 meters to corner 418;
558	S	71°	35'	W	62.62 meters to corner 419;
559	S	27°	05'	W	122.08 meters to corner 420;
560	S	28°	17'	E	134.93 meters to corner 421;
561	S	09°	50'	W	238.44 meters to corner 422;

562	S	83°	53'	W	228.75 meters to corner 423;
563	N	61°	23'	W	65.49 meters to corner 424;
564	S	28°	43'	W	214.09 meters to corner 425;
565	N	57°	32'	W	264.20 meters to corner 426;
566	S	87°	14'	W	72.00 meters to corner 427;
567	N	02°	00'	E	365.92 meters to corner 428;
568	N	28°	09'	E	418.68 meters to corner 429;
569	N	21°	57'	E	167.87 meters to corner 430;
570	N	41°	04'	W	331.87 meters to corner 431;
571	N	74°	31'	W	211.87 meters to corner 432;
572	S	25°	31'	W	248.42 meters to corner 433;
573	S	46°	13'	W	183.16 meters to corner 434;
574	S	26°	47'	E	48.56 meters to corner 435;
575	S	16°	20'	W	271.47 meters to corner 436;;
576	S	02°	31'	W	523.82 meters to corner 437;
577	S	34°	09'	E	101.39 meters to corner 438;
578	S	19°	24'	E	49.15 meters to corner 439;
579	S	20°	31"	W	33.29 meters to corner 440;
580	S	75°	41'	W	40.68 meters to corner 441;
581	S	12°	00'	W	32.87 meters to corner 442;
582	S	28°	24'	W	129.03 meters to corner 443;
583	S	65°	03'	W	34.03 meters to corner 444;
584	S	33°	04'	W	34.52 meters to corner 445;
585	S	87°	09'	W	337.28 meters to corner 446;
586	S	30°	44'	W	530.39 meters to corner 447;
587	S	53°	10'	W	493.33 meters to corner 1;

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589 the point of beginning containing an area of Ten Thousand One Hundred and Twelve (10,112) hectares
590 more or less subject to actual ground survey.

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592 The classified forest lands comprising the MINP shall fall within the classification of national park as
593 provided under the 1987 Constitution.

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595 Ancestral domains within the MINP shall be recognized and respected. Any policy guidelines and
596 activities issued or implemented with regard to ancestral domains and ICCs or IPs within the MINP by
597 the Protected Area Management Board (PAMB) or the Department of Environment and Natural
598 Resources (DENR) shall be subject to the requisite free and prior informed consent as provided in the
599 RA 8371.

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601 As such, ancestral domains forming part of the Natural Park shall have their Ancestral Domain
602 Sustainable Development Protection Plan incorporated to the General Management Plan (GMP).

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Sec. 5. Jurisdiction over Mt. Isarog Natural Park.— The overall authority and jurisdiction over the MINP shall be exercised by the Mt. Isarog Natural Park - Protected Area Management Board (MINP-PAMB), with the oversight by the DENR. This jurisdiction and authority shall be exercised in harmony with the powers, rights and authorities of the Local Government Units having territorial jurisdiction over the MINP and of the ICCs or IPs in the area. Provided however, that on issues concerning protection and conservation, the authority of the MINP-PAMB shall take precedence.

Sec. 6. Mt. Isarog Natural Park Buffer Zone

The MINP-PAMB may identify and recommend the establishment of a buffer zone, in consultation with the stakeholders.

The buffer zone shall be a component of the MINP under the jurisdiction of the MINP-PAMB. Specific management prescriptions and land use management options shall be provided by the MINP-PAMB for the buffer zone. Such prescriptions and land use options shall be incorporated in the General Management Plan and the Comprehensive Land Use Plans of Local Government Units and corresponding ordinances be provided therein.

**ARTICLE II
MANAGEMENT AND INSTITUTIONAL MECHANISMS**

Sec. 7. The Mt. Isarog Natural Park – Protected Area Management Board

- a. The Mt. Isarog Natural Park – Protected Area Management Board (MINP-PAMB), vested with the management and administration of Mt. Isarog Natural Park, is hereby created.
- b. It will have the powers and functions outlined in the NIPAS Act. In addition, it will be given the following powers:
 - i. The authority to impose and collect resource users' fees and provided for its disposition;
 - ii. designate collecting officers for funds generated for the MINP and formulate procedures for the management and disbursement thereof;
 - iii. Issue certification of tenured migrants
 - iv. Recommend the appointment of all staff of the Protected Area Office, including Protected Area Superintendent, to the DENR Regional Executive Director based on its internal selection criteria;
 - v. Determine fines and fees for violations of this Act, guidelines, rules and regulations within the MINP;
 - vi. Promulgate its procedural rules, which shall include discipline and removal of its officers and members;

- vii. Provide the necessary mechanisms to ensure the harmonization, complementation, consultation and participatory decision-making processes among the various stakeholders;
 - viii. Development develop the procedures that will govern the conduct of academic and commercial research activities within six months from the effectivity of this Act;
 - ix. Enter into any contract or agreement concerning the MINP as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act; and
 - x. Perform such other functions necessary for the fulfilment of the provisions of this Act and all other applicable laws, rules and regulations.
- c. The MINP-PAMB shall coordinate with the DENR regarding confiscation of materials or resources from the MINP. Disposition of confiscated materials and resources shall be prioritized in this manner;
 - i. For the use of educational institutions in the closest barangay where the materials were found;
 - ii. Construction or improvement of health facilities in the closest barangay where the materials were found; and
 - iii. Improvement of the facilities of the MINP.

A report on this subject shall be regularly rendered by the concerned officer of the DENR and the Protected Area Superintendent to the MINP-PAMB. The proceeds of the disposition of these materials or resources shall accrue to the MINP-PAMB.
- d. The MINP-PAMB shall be composed of the following:
 - i. The DENR Regional Executive Director of Region V as ex-officio Chairperson;
 - ii. The governor of the Province of Camarines Sur as ex-officio Vice-Chairperson and the Provincial Planning and Development Officer as his alternate;
 - iii. The MINP Protected Area Office Superintendent as co-Vice Chairperson
 - iv. The municipal mayors of the seven (7) municipalities/ city with territories within the MINP as ex-officio members;
 - v. One (1) representative of Certificate of Ancestral Domain Claim holders within the MINP, as member, to be appointed by the Secretary of Environment and Natural resources, upon recommendation of the DENR Regional Executive Director of Region V.
 - vi. One (1) representative per municipality/city from the civil society organizations, people's organizations, or community-based organizations, as members to be appointed by the Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources, upon the recommendation of the DENR Regional Executive Director of Region V. the chosen representatives must have initiatives that involve the protection and conservation of the MINP.
- e. The following shall be non-voting and consultative members of the MINP-PAMB and may sit in during meetings:
 - vii. Barangay captains with territories within MINP;

- viii. Representatives from national government agencies that are involved in protected area management, specifically the National Commission on Indigenous People, Department of Agriculture, Department of Agrarian Reform, and the Department of Tourism;
 - ix. Representatives from the academe.
- f. For continuity of business and proper representation of the entity member in the MINP-PAMB, a permanent alternate shall be appointed by each member in case the principal representative is not available.
 - g. The terms of office of members appointed by the Secretary of DENR shall be six (6) years-provided that the member remains connected with the sector he or she represents.
 - h. The MINP-PAMB shall issue the necessary guidelines for the selection and qualification of its members, and replacement process in case a vacancy occurs.

Sec. 8. Honoraria of Members of the MINP-PAMB.—In addition to the actual and necessary travelling and subsistence allowance incurred in the performance of their duties, the MINP-PAMB members may be granted honoraria and other benefits in attending MINP-PAMB or other committee meetings. These expenses may be included in the appropriation of the MINP Trust Fund.

Sec. 9. The MINP Protected Area Office (MINP-PAO).—There shall be a MINP-Protected Area Office headed by a Protected Area Superintendent who shall serve as the Chief Operating Officer of the park. The DENR shall create necessary positions for the MINP-PAO and its staff.

MINP-PAMB shall submit to the DENR Regional Executive Director a list of recommended candidates, following internal qualification standards and criteria, for the positions Protected Area Superintendent and MINP-PAO staff.

The DENR Regional Executive Director shall select and appoint the Protected Area Superintendent and the MINP-PAO staff from the list submitted by the MINP-PAMB.

The following shall be the duties and responsibilities of the Protected Area Superintendent:

Policy-related functions:

- a. Serve as chief administrative officer of the protected area for the purpose of implementing the Management Plan as detailed in the annual work plan.
- b. Render regular reports to the MINP-PAMB and propose agenda to be carried by the PAMB during its regular meetings.
- c. Establish a productive partnership with the local community, including groups, in the planning, protection and management of the protected area.
- d. Supervise the performance and good morale of his or her staff.
- e. Ensure the proper utilization of annual budget allocation and the proper disposition of fees and other funds generated within the protected areas.
- f. Develop and operationalize the Center for Research, Ecology and Environmental Education (CREED) program in collaboration with research and academic institutions and other non-government organizations.

- g. Develop and implement a natural history documentation program and to oversee research that may be conducted within the area.
- h. Mediate between Non-Government Organizations and DENR staff in the operation of the area.
- i. Document the processes involved in the establishment and management of the protected area, with particular reference to the development of relationships with cultural communities, tenured migrants, buffer zone residents and others in establishing effective protection of the area and use the data collected for future planning.

Operations-related functions:

- j. Enforce rules and regulations established to protect the area and preserve the protected area from trespassers, damage and injury.
- k. Require, when he deems necessary, any person entering or passing across through or any part of the protected area under his jurisdiction, to present an identification card containing the person's name and address and may require the person to state his proposed duration of stay inside the protected area and the portion which he intends to visit and such other information of a similar nature as may be referred to him.
- l. Remove or eject any person, as deemed necessary, who has engaged in disorderly conduct or bad behaviour or who have violated any of the regulations on the protected area.
- m. Require persons cutting, gathering forest products, hunting, or fishing within the protected area to produce, upon demand, authority or permit to do so.
- n. Seize and confiscate timber or other forest products, game birds, animals and fish including instruments, tools and conveyances used inside the protected area by unlicensed persons or, if licensed, in violation of protected area laws, rules and regulations, and to report them to the proper authorities in accordance with present rules, regulations and guidelines issued by the Secretary of DENR, concerning confiscation, seizure and disposition of illegally-cut, gathered and transported forest products, and other natural resources and confiscated wildlife.
- o. Perform such other powers and duties as may from time to time be prescribed by the MINP-PAMB or the DENR Regional Executive Director.

The Protected Area Superintendent shall be directly accountable to the MINP-PAMB and DENR Regional Executive Director. He shall, however, provide necessary coordinative mechanisms to the Community Environmental and Natural Resources Office and Provincial Environmental and Natural Resources Office.

Sec. 10. General Management Plan (GMP)—There shall be a MINP-GMP, composed of spatial and development plans, prepared by the MINP-PAO in coordination with the MINP-PAMB and other stakeholders.

The GMP shall contain the overall strategic direction for the protection and management of the MINP. It shall also include all site-specific management strategies and activity targets for all management zones and for other sectoral concerns of the MINP. The GMP shall cover a period of applicability for twenty-five (25) years, subject to periodic review of the MINP-PAMB every five (5) years or as the need arises.

The GMP shall be reviewed and approved by the MINP-PAMB. It shall also be presented to all municipal LGUs within the MINP and shall be endorsed by them for implementation and integration in their specific CLUPs and Master Development Plans. All other stakeholders shall likewise be consulted in the process.

The GMP shall conform with all national environmental programs of the government, and shall be affirmed by the Secretary of DENR.

Sec. 11. The Role of Local Government Units.—The Provincial Government of Camarines Sur, the City Government of Naga and the Local Government Units in Camarines Sur with a stake in Mt. Isarog are hereby recognized as a key partners in the protection and management of the MINP. As such, they shall participate in the management of the MINP through the MINP-PAMB.

The provisions of this Act and the GMP shall be incorporated into the city/municipal and provincial plans as part of their environmental concerns and shall ensure that local ordinances pertaining to environment are consistent with this Act and the GMP, as herein provided.

Sec. 12. The Role of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources.—The DENR shall be the lead agency management and protection of the MINP. It Shall:

- a. Initiate the institutionalization of the MINP Protected Area Office;
- b. Institute the capacity development process of the MINP-PAMB;
- c. Provide personnel and funds for services and operations of the MINP-PAO;
- d. Provide physical resource support to MINP-PAO and;
- e. Provide additional technical support, as may be required.

The DENR, through its Region V Regional Executive Director, shall ensure that the MINP-PAMB acts within the scope of its powers and functions.

Sec. 13. Role of Indigenous Cultural Communities, Indigenous Peoples, and the National Commission on Indigenous People.

The national Commission on Indigenous People shall ensure that the rights of the IPs in their ancestral domain falling within the MINP are protected.

The ICCS and IPs shall preserve, restore and maintain balanced ecology in their ancestral domain by protecting the flora and fauna, watershed areas and other reserves;

The National Commission on Indigenous People may allocate funds for the conservation and protection of areas within the CADC and CADT falling within the Protected Areas;

The Council of Elders, with supervision of the NCIP, shall identify and certify the migrants within the ancestral domains, for recognition by the MINP-PAMB.

Sec. 14. Protected Area (PA) Fund.—There is hereby established a trust fund for MINP for purposes of financing the projects and sustaining the operation of the PA. All income generated from the operation and management of MINP shall accrue to the IPAF. This income shall be derived from fees from permitted sale and export of flora and fauna and their resources from MINP; proceeds from lease or multiple-use areas; contributions from industries and facilities directly benefiting from the MINP; and such other fees and income derived from the operation of the MINP. Provided, that agencies undertaking rehabilitation, management and protection of watersheds within MINP pursuant to their respective mandates shall be exempted from the provisions hereof.

Sec. 15. Fund Management. The MINP-PAMB shall have the power to decide on the use of all revenues, grants, endowments, donations and other income pertaining to MINP. The fund shall be for the purpose of financing and sustaining projects and activities in the MINP to attain the objectives of this Act.

Funds derived from the following shall be remitted to the IPAF, pursuant to the fund-raising guidelines under the NIPAS Act:

- a. Fees from permitted sale of flora, fauna, and other resources
- b. Proceeds from lease of multiple use or special use areas including tourism concessions; and, rents of facilities in recreation areas;
- c. Entrance fees.

In the implementation of project and activities as a consequence of these fund sources, preferential and priority attention shall be given to areas where actual extraction of resources has taken place.

Funds generated from the following sources shall be retained by the MINP-PAMB and shall be known as the MINP-PAMB Trust Fund:

- a. Fees and contribution from facilities, institutions directly benefiting from the protected area;
- b. Fines from industries/facilities operating inside the protected area;
- c. Contributions, donation, endowments and grants from any source;
- d. Other revenues as may be derived from the
- e. Proceeds from the confiscation, disposition of confiscated products of resources from the MINP, subject to the provisions on the disposition of confiscated materials and resources provided herein; and
- f. Administrative fines, penalties arising from the disposition imposed by the act.

ARTICLE III UTILIZATION OF RESOURCES

Sec. 16. Use of Resources. No person or entity shall enter, enjoy or utilize any portion of the MINP and the resources therein for whatever purpose without prior permission from the MINP Protected Area Superintendent, as herein provided. Tenured migrants may be allowed to cultivate, harvest and utilize

resources in their designated multiple use zones, buffer zones and in other allowable zones as may be indicated in the GMP.

Only MINP-PAMB accredited research institutions shall be allowed to conduct bio-prospecting and other diversity-related researches, subject to the procedures and guidelines that will be developed by the MINP-PAMB.

The Derivation and utilization of resources within the MINP shall be governed by the MINP-GMP and shall be allowed only for the purpose of maintaining the ecological balance and integrity of the MINP.

Sec. 17. Utilization Permits and User's Fees. The MINP-PAMB shall have the exclusive power to issue permits and impose conditions thereon, or impose and collect fees for temporary access to the MINP, such as passage and visiting, subject to the limits as may be provided by the MINP-PAMB;

The MINP-PAMB may choose to delegate to the Protected Area Superintendent the authority to issue permits and collect fees for temporary access to the MINP, such as passage and visiting, subject to the limits as may be provided by the MINP-PAMB;

The entry into the MINP for emergency reasons shall not be subject to entrance or user's fee.

Sec. 18. Use of Energy and Renewable Resources. Only renewable resources may be the subject of exploration, exploitation, or utilization within the MINP.

An act of Congress is required for energy projects, other than from sun and wind sources, and use of non-renewable resources.

Sec. 19. Environmental Impact Assessment. Any development activity within the MINP, being Environmentally Critical Area (ECA) shall be required to undergo the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) system pursuant to Presidential Decree No. 1586, s. 1978. The MINP-PAMB shall determine the developmental activities that would require ECC in consultation with the concerned agency.

Article IV INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES, INDIGENOUS PEOPLES AND TENURED MIGRANTS

Sec. 20. The Right of the Tenured Migrants. The rights of the Tenured Migrants shall be covered by an appropriate tenurial instrument issued by the department of Environment and Natural Resources. Such tenurial instruments shall be issued to organized tenured migrant communities. No tenurial instruments shall be issued over Ancestral Domains forming part of the MINP without the free and prior informed consent of the Indigenous Cultural Communities or Indigenous Peoples.

Sec. 21. The Rights of Indigenous Cultural Communities and Indigenous Peoples

The rights of Indigenous Cultural Communities and Indigenous Peoples in the MINP to their lands and domains shall be fully recognized.

The provision of this Act shall be constructed liberally in favor of the Indigenous Cultural Communities and Indigenous Peoples in accordance with the preservation and conservation objectives of the MINP and its resources. Nothing herein shall be construed to impair or diminish prior and existing rights currently enjoyed by the Indigenous Peoples as provided by existing laws.

Article V
PROHIBITED ACTS AND PENALTIES

Sec. 22. Prohibited acts and penalties

- a. Hunting, Collecting, Catching, Gathering, capturing, Wounding, Killing, Destroying or Possessing anywhere with MINP or its Buffer Zones any species of plant or animal or their by-product or derivatives, or transporting of these plants and animal species without prior approval of the MINP-PAMB. The offender shall be penalized with a fine of not less than Five Thousand (P5,000.00) Pesos but not more than Five Hundred Thousand (P500,000.00) Pesos and imprisonment of not less than six (6) years and one (1) day, but not more than twelve (12) years forfeiture of all resources, equipment and conveyances used for violating this Section. The MIP-PAMB shall impose an administrative fine based on the market value of the resources as environmental damages and forfeiture of all resources, equipment and conveyances used for violating this Section.
- b. Bio-prospecting without obtaining prior MINP-PAMB clearance and free and prior informed consent, and the appropriate Department of Environment and Natural Resources permit. Penalty shall be six (6) months and (1) day to six (6) years of imprisonment, and fine of Two Hundred Thousand (P200,000.00) pesos to one million (1,000,000.00) pesos and forfeiture of the resources subject of the offense, together with the equipment and conveyance used. The MINP-PAMB shall also impose an administrative fine of Five Hundred Thousand (P500,000.00) pesos to Two Million pesos and forfeiture of all resources, equipment and conveyances used for violating this Section. Violation of the terms and conditions of any existing permits granted to institutions or individuals shall constitute commission of this offense. In addition to the penalties herein provided , any permits granted to the offender shall be automatically cancelled.
- c. Acts of Vandalism, such mutilating, transporting, destroying, excavating or in any manner damaging any natural formation or object of natural beauty inside the MINP, or the burial of religious sites, including artifacts and other objects belonging to Indigenous Cultural Communities and Indigenous Peoples. This shall also include the removal, destruction and alteration of boundary markers and signs. Fine of not less than Twenty Five Thousand (P25,000.00) Pesos but not more than Five Hundred Fifty Thousand (P550,000.00) Pesos, and/or imprisonment of not less than six (6) months and one (1day) but than six (6) years and the restoration and rehabilitation of the damaged area. The MINP-PAMB shall also separately impose on offender, a fine equivalent to the value of rehabilitating or restoring damage.
- d. Burning, Clearing, Kaingin within the MINP or its Buffer Zones. Judicial fine of not less than ten times the value of the burned or cleared areas and imprisonment of one (1) year and one (1) day, but not more than six (6) years. The PAMB shall also separately impose on the

offender, an administrative fine equivalent to the value of rehabilitating or restoring the damaged area.

- e. The Unreasonable Disturbance of wildlife and other Habitants, Reproductive Cycle, Roosting and Feeding Grounds and Migratory Paths, Judicial fines and penalties shall be in accordance with the provision of the Wildlife Act. The PAMB shall impose administrative fine not less than Ten Thousand (P10,000.00) Pesos but not more than Fifty Thousand (P50,000.00) Pesos.
- f. Introduction of Exotic Species within MINP. Fine of not less than Five Thousand (P5,000.00) Pesos, but not more than Five Hundred Thousand (P500,000.00) Pesos, and/or imprisonment of not less than six (6) month and one (1) day but not more than six (6) years. The MINP-PAMB shall also impose an administrative fine of not less than Ten Thousand (P10,000.00) Pesos but not more than One Hundred Thousand (P100,000.00) Pesos but not more than One Million (P1,000,000.00) Pesos, together with the confiscation of exotic fauna and flora. Should the court or the MINP-PAMB determine that these species are detrimental to the integrity of MINP, they shall order the appropriate disposition of the same.
- g. Exploration, Exploitation or Extracting, Drilling, or Prospecting for mineral resources, treasure hunting, or quarrying within the MINP or its buffer zone. Judicial fine of not less than Five Hundred Thousand (P500,00.00) Pesos and /or imprisonment of not less than five million (P5,000,000.00) Pesos and/or imprisonment of not less than six (6) month and one (1) day but not more than six (6) years., and the restoration and rehabilitation of the damaged area. The MINP-PAMB shall also separately impose on the offender, a fine equivalent to the value of rehabilitating or restoring the damaged area. Together with the confiscation of the equipment, tools, vehicles and resources, the PAMB shall also impose an administrative fine of not less than One Million (1,000,000.00) Pesos but not more than Ten Million (P10,000,000.00) Pesos. Together with the confiscation of equipment, tools, vehicles and resources, The PAMB shall also separately impose on the offender, a fine equivalent to the value of rehabilitating and restoring the damaged area.
- h. Possession or use of chainsaw, power saw, and other motorized equipment anywhere within the MINP or its buffer zones without prior permit from the MINP-PAMB. Imprisonment of six (6) years and one (1) day to eight (8) years or a fine of Thirty Thousand (P30,000.00) Pesos to Fifty Thousand (P50,000.00) Pesos shall be imposed to the offender in violation of this Section. PAMB shall impose an administrative fine of One Hundred Thousand (P100,000.00) Pesos together with the confiscation of chain saw, power saw or other motorized equipment.
- i. Constructing or Maintaining any kind of road, edifice, or any kind of enclosure, structure, facility or any infrastructure projects, or any kind of enclosure structure, facility or any infrastructure projects, or operating business enterprise, within MINP without prior permit from MINP-PAMB. Fine of not less than Five Thousand (P5,000.00) Pesos, but not more than Five Hundred Thousand (P500,000.00) Pesos, and/or imprisonment of not less than six (6) month and one (1) day but not more than 6 years, and demolition of improvements which may be detrimental to the integrity of the MINP shall be imposed. The court shall forfeit in favor of the MINP-PAMB., all improvements, equipment and conveyances used in violation of this section. The Court shall likewise order the eviction of the offender, demolition of structures, and restoration and rehabilitation of the damaged area whenever appropriate. The PAMB shall

impose and administrative fine of ten Thousand (P10,000.00) pesos to Seven Hundred Thousand (P700,000.00) Pesos together with the forfeiture of all improvements, equipment, and conveyances. The PAMB shall also order the eviction of the offender, demolition of the structures and restoration and rehabilitation of the damaged are whenever appropriate.

- j. Unauthorized occupation or cultivation of areas without PAMB permit. Fine of not less than Five Thousand (P5,000.00) Pesos, but not more than Five Hundred Thousand (P500,000.00) Pesos, and/or imprisonment of not less than six (6) month and one (1) day but not more than six (6) years. The court shall likewise order the eviction of the offender and demolition of the structures, restoration and rehabilitation of the damaged area whenever appropriate. PAMB MINP-PAMB shall impose an administrative fine of Ten Thousand (P10,000.00) MINP-PAMB to Seven Hundred Thousand (P700,000.00) Pesos together with the forfeiture of all improvements, equipment and conveyances. The PAMB shall also order the eviction of the offender and demolition of improvements which may be detrimental to the integrity of the MINP. In case the Tenured Migrants violated said section, his or her rights over the said area shall be forfeited or cancelled, and he/she shall be disqualified from further privileges.
- k. Unauthorized entry except in emergency situations. The MINP-PAMB shall impose an administrative fine of One Thousand (P 1,000.00) Pesos to Thirty Thousand (P 30,000.00) Pesos as herein provided.
- l. Dumping of waste and littering within the MINP and its Buffer Zones. Dumping of waste shall be punishable by imprisonment of six (6) months and one (1) days but not more that six (6) years and a fine of Five thousand (P 5,000.00) Pesos to Two Hundred Fifty Thousand (P 250,000.00) Pesos. The PAMB shall impose and administrative fine in the amount of Ten thousand (P10,000.00) Pesos to Three Hundred Thousand (P 300,000.00) Pesos and order the violator to clean up the waste and pay for the clean-up thereof. It shall likewise be unlawful to litter within the MINP. Violation of these provisions shall be penalized by the MINP-PAMB with an administrative fine of One Thousand (P 1,000.00) Pesos to Ten Thousand (P 10,000.00) Pesos
- m. For violation of any rules and regulations provided in the GMPor any resolutions approved by the PAMB, an administrative fine of not less than Five Thousand (P 5,000.00) Pesos but not more than Fifty Thousand (P 50,000.00) Pesos shall be imposed. In all the above-mentionaed provisions, should the offender be an association or corporation, the officers shall be directly responsible for the act of the employees and shall suffer the corresponding fines and penalties as herein provided. In case the offender is not a citizen of the Philippines, he or she shall be immediately deported to his or her country of origin after serving his sentence and upon payment of all criminal and administrative fines. For cases involving foreigners no-plea bargaining shall be allowed without the concurrence of the MINP-PAMB, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources and any such person who have initiated the filing of the case as complainant.

Sec. 23. Rules and Regulations. The MINP-PAMB shall promulgate, within three (3) months from the passage of this Act, the appropriate rules and regulations.

1087 **ARTICLE VI**
1088 **LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PROSECUTION**
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1090 **Sec. 24. Law Enforcement**
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1092 The DENR shall implement the provision of this law and has the power to call upon other agencies for
1093 assistance.
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1095 The DENR, upon the recommendation of the PAMB, shall deputize any group or persons in writing to
1096 enforce the provisions of this Act. Such deputation shall be in writing and signed by the Secretary or the
1097 RED to be valid and effective.
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1099 The DENR shall provide ranger services to assist in keeping peace and order within the MINP. The
1100 forest rangers will report and be directly accountable to the MINP-PAMB.
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1103 **Sec. 25. Inspection Power**—The Protected Area Superintendent and law enforcers shall have the
1104 power to stop and inspect all vehicles and conveyances within the MINP for the purpose of enforcing
1105 the provisions of this Act, other laws, rules and regulations.
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1107 The MINP-PAMB, Protected Area Superintendent and other authorized law enforcers may enter
1108 premises or areas subject of a lease, permit or concession from the MINP-PAMB or DENR for
1109 monitoring of compliance with environmental laws, rules and regulations.
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1111 Any hindrance made to these inspections shall be considered a violation of these rules and shall
1112 subject the offender to the immediate closure of his enterprise pending full inspection as may be
1113 warranted.
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1116 **Sec. 26. Special Prosecutors and Counsels**—The Department of Justice (DOJ), upon request of the
1117 PAMB, shall designate a special prosecutor, either or both from among state and public prosecutors to
1118 conduct preliminary investigation and prosecute violations of this Act, other laws, rules and regulations
1119 within the MINP.
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1121 The Office of the Government Corporate Counsel (OGCC) shall provide support legal services to the
1122 MINP-PAMB and assistance in the training of the enforcers.
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1124 The Public Attorney's Office (PAO) of the municipalities/city(cities) with a stake in the MINP shall
1125 provide legal support in defense of the PAMB or any of its officers and staff, should the need arise.
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1128 **ARTICLE VII**
1129 **TRANSITORY PROVISIONS**
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1132 **Sec. 27. Selection and Appointment of New MINP-PAMB Member-Representatives**—The MINP-
1133 PAMB existing and functioning as such prior to the effectivity of this Act (otherwise known as the
1134 "Proclamation PAMB"), shall continue to dispose of its powers and functions until the regular Mt. Isarog
1135 Park Management Board (MINP-PAMB) has been constituted with the provisions of this Act.

Upon effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of DENR shall appoint the aforementioned CSO representatives, the terms of which shall last until December 31, 2017.

Within one (1) month from the effectivity of this Act, the existing MINP-PAMB shall draw up the guidelines, in consultation with the agencies and sectors to be represented in the MINP-PAMB, for the selection of its representatives.

Within three (3) months from the effectivity of this Act the members of the MINP-PAMB which shall be constituted in accordance with this Act, and shall have been appointed by the Secretary of DENR.

Sec. 28. Continuation of the MINP-Protected Area Office (MINP-PAO)—The present MINP-PAO shall continue to exist and function as such, subject to institutionalization in accordance with Section 11 hereof. Within three (3) months after the appointment of all its members, the MINPMB, upon recommendation of the MINP-PAO, shall finalize an institutionalization plan for the MINP-PAO, and the criteria for selection of personnel to fill-up the items.

Within two (2) months thereafter, a PASu shall be recommended by the MINPAMB and appointed by the DENR Regional Executive Director.

Sec. 29. Continuation of all other Arrangements—Except when otherwise provided by this Act, all arrangements, commitments and agreements prior to the effectivity of this Act shall continue to subsist until validly amended, revised, repealed or renewed or upon end of its term.

Sec. 30. Allocation.—The annual budget of the MINP, for the first five years of its existence, shall be charged to the appropriations of DENR. Thereafter, the internally generated revenues from the MINP shall support its operations, without prejudice to any additional appropriation in the General Appropriations Act (GAA) as Congress may deem necessary.

Sec. 31. Construction and Suppletory Application of Existing Laws.—The provisions of this Act shall be construed liberally in favor of achieving biodiversity conservation, protection and sustainable development. Provisions of Republic Act 7586, otherwise known as the National Integrated Protected Areas System Act, existing forestry and environmental laws, and their corresponding rules and regulations not inconsistent hereto shall have suppletory effect in the implementation of this Act.

Sec. 32. Separability Clause.—If any part or section of this Act is declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such declaration shall not affect the other parts or section hereof.

Sec. 33. Repealing Clause.—Proclamation No. 214, s.2002 is hereby repealed. All laws, presidential decree, executive orders, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Act shall be deemed repealed or modified accordingly.

1185 **Sec. 34. Effectivity.**—This shall act shall be effective after 15 days from complete publication in the
1186 Official Gazette or two newspapers of general circulation.

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