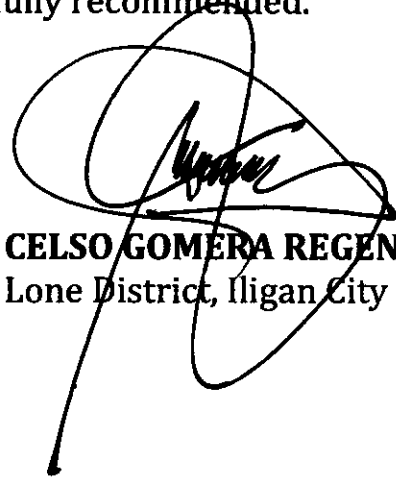




Given the pressing need to address the current situation in Sitio Timoga,  
the approval of this bill is earnestly and respectfully recommended.

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**HOUSE BILL NO. 2936**

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**Introduced by Honorable Celso G. Regencia**

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**AN ACT  
DECLARING SITIO TIMOGA, LOCATED IN BARANGAY BURU-UN, ILIGAN  
CITY, AS AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND PROVIDING FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT,  
MANAGEMENT, AND PROMOTION**

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

**SECTION 1. Title.** – This Act shall be known as the “**Timoga Eco-Tourism Site Act.**”

**SECTION 2. Declaration as an Ecotourism Site.** - Sitio Timoga, located in Barangay Buru-un, Iligan City, is hereby declared an ecotourism site.

Its development shall be guided by principles of sustainable tourism, environmental preservation, and community participation, and shall be supported by the Department of Tourism (DOT), in coordination with the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), and other concerned agencies, in accordance with existing laws and regulations.

**SECTION 3. Development Plan.** – Within six (6) months from the effectivity of this Act, the City Government of Iligan shall take the lead in preparing a tourism development plan for Sitio Timoga, in coordination with the DOT, the DENR, the DTI, and other concerned agencies.

The development plan shall include the construction, installation, and maintenance of appropriate infrastructure and facilities to enhance tourism in

the area, while ensuring the protection of its natural resources and the promotion of local enterprise and community-based tourism.

**SECTION 4. *Technical Assistance and Promotion.*** – The DOT shall assist the City Government of Iligan in the implementation of the tourism development plan by providing technical support, capacity-building programs, and tourism standards guidance. The DOT shall also include Sitio Timoga in its regional and national tourism promotion campaigns.

The DTI shall support the development of local enterprises related to tourism in the area, including skills training, product development, and marketing assistance for micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs).

The DENR shall ensure that all development activities are compliant with environmental laws, conduct the necessary assessments and monitoring, and provide guidance on the sustainable use and conservation of natural resources within the ecotourism site.

**SECTION 5. *Funding.*** - The amount necessary for the implementation of this Act shall be primarily sourced from the annual budget of the City Government of Iligan.

The DOT, the DENR, and the DTI shall likewise provide financial and technical support, subject to availability of funds and applicable laws.

**SECTION 6. *Implementing Rules and Regulations.*** – Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the City Government of Iligan, in consultation with the DOT, the DENR, the DTI, and other concerned agencies, shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

**SECTION 7. *Separability Clause.*** – If any provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

**SECTION 8. *Effectivity.*** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

*Approved,*