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COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 370

Submitted by the Committees on Tourism and Appropriations on **May 28, 2026**

Re : House Bill No. **9512**

Recommending its approval in substitution of House Bill No. 1236

Sponsors: Representatives Eleandro Jesus F. Madrona, Mikaela Angela B. Suansing,
Rufus B. Rodriguez, and Maximo B. Rodriguez, Jr.

Mr. Speaker:

The Committees on Tourism and Appropriations to which was referred House Bill No. 1236, introduced by Representatives Rufus B. Rodriguez and Maximo B. Rodriguez, Jr., entitled:

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DISTINGUISHING THE DAO TREE LOCATED WITHIN A SECONDARY
FOREST IN THE INTEGRATED FOREST MANAGEMENT
AGREEMENT (IFMA) AREA OF THE E. PELAEZ RANCH IN
BAYOMBONG, BARANGAY CUGMAN, CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY, AS
THE CAGAYAN DE ORO HERITAGE TREE, AND DECLARING IT A
TOURIST ATTRACTION”**

have considered the same and recommend that the attached House Bill No. **9512**,
entitled:

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be approved in substitution of House Bill No. 1236 with Representatives Rufus B. Rodriguez, Maximo B. Rodriguez, Jr., Eleandro Jesus F. Madrona, Mikaela Angela B. Suansing, Junard “Ahong” Q. Chan, Rosalie Ang Salvame, Rommel Rico T. Angara, Jose C. Alvarez, Elisa “Olga” T. Kho, Dibu S. Tuan, Florencio T. Miraflores, Tsuyoshi Anthony “Hori” G. Horibata, John Geesnell “Baba” Yap, Caroline B. Agyao, MD, Ustadz Yusop T. Alano, Maximo Y. Dalog, Jr., Romeo S. Momo, Sr., Ronald V. Singson, Patricia C. Calderon, Rebecca Maria Alcantara Ynares, Dale B. Corvera, Celso G.

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Respectfully submitted,



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

- 1 **SECTION 1.** The Dao tree, located within a secondary forest in the
2 Integrated Forest Management Agreement area of the E. Pelaez Ranch in
3 Bayombong, Barangay Cugman, Cagayan de Oro City, and which is estimated

1 to be two hundred (200) years old, is hereby declared the Cagayan de Oro
2 Heritage Tree and a tourist attraction.

3 **SEC. 2.** Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the City
4 Government of Cagayan de Oro shall, in coordination with the Department of
5 Tourism (DOT), Department of Environment and Natural Resources, National
6 Commission for Culture and the Arts, Cagayan de Oro City Cultural Heritage
7 Conservation Council, Tourism Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone Authority
8 (TIEZA), and concerned agencies of the government, prepare a tourism
9 development plan involving the protection and preservation of the Cagayan de
10 Oro Heritage Tree and the development of its immediate environs that shall
11 include the construction, installation, and maintenance of such appropriate
12 infrastructure and facilities to enhance tourism in the area: *Provided*, That said
13 development plan shall ensure the preservation and conservation of the natural
14 beauty and resources of the area: *Provided, further*, That the implementation of
15 the tourism development plan shall be included in the budget of the City
16 Government of Cagayan de Oro.

17 **SEC. 3.** The DOT shall assist the City Government of Cagayan de Oro
18 in the implementation of the tourism development plan by providing technical
19 assistance in tourism capacity building. It shall also include the Cagayan de Oro
20 Heritage Tree in all its national and regional promotion programs.

21 **SEC. 4.** The funding for the implementation of this Act shall be included
22 in the annual budget of the City Government of Cagayan de Oro. The DOT may
23 augment such allocation with internally generated funds.

1 **SEC. 5.** Within sixty (60) days after the effectivity of this Act, the City
2 Government of Cagayan de Oro shall, in consultation with the DOT and
3 concerned agencies of the government, promulgate the rules and regulations to
4 implement this Act.

5 **SEC. 6.** All laws, rules, regulations, executive orders, presidential
6 decrees, and other issuances inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Act
7 are hereby deemed repealed or amended accordingly.

8 **SEC. 7.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in
9 the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

 Approved,