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AN ACT
DECLARING THE MUNICIPALITY OF JOSE PANGANIBAN, PROVINCE OF
CAMARINES NORTE, AS A TOURISM DEVELOPMENT AREA

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

SECTION 1. *Municipality of Jose Panganiban as Tourism Development*

Area. – The Municipality of Jose Panganiban, Province of Camarines Norte, is hereby declared a tourism development area. Pursuant thereto, its development shall be prioritized and supported by the Department of Tourism (DOT), subject to the rules and regulations governing the development of tourism development areas.

The tourism development area shall include the following sites within the municipality which are endowed with scenic landscapes and natural attractions:

- (a) Parola Island;
- (b) Calalanay Island;
- (c) Isla Agua ni Cion;
- (d) Pag-asa Beach; and
- (e) Bulalacao Beach.

1 **SEC. 2. *Tourism Development Plan.*** – Within one (1) year after the approval
2 of this Act, the Municipal Government of Jose Panganiban shall, in coordination with
3 the DOT, Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Office of the
4 Representative of the First District of the Province of Camarines Norte, and concerned
5 agencies of the government, prepare a tourism development plan that shall include
6 the construction, installation, and maintenance of such appropriate infrastructure and
7 facilities to enhance tourism in the Municipality of Jose Panganiban, particularly in
8 identified sites for tourism development: *Provided*, That said development plan shall
9 ensure the preservation and conservation of the natural beauty and resources of the
10 area: *Provided, further*, That the implementation of the tourism development plan shall
11 be included in the budget of the Municipal Government of Jose Panganiban.

12 **SEC. 3. *Jose Panganiban Tourism Governing Board.*** – Within one (1) year
13 after the approval of this Act, the Jose Panganiban Tourism Governing Board,
14 hereinafter referred to as the Board, shall be created. It shall be composed of the
15 following members:

- 16 (a) Mayor of the Municipality of Jose Panganiban, as Chairperson;
- 17 (b) Secretary of the DOT, or a duly-authorized representative;
- 18 (c) Secretary of the DENR, or a duly-authorized representative;
- 19 (d) The Representative of the First District of the Province of Camarines Norte,
20 or a duly-authorized representative;
- 21 (e) One (1) representative from an accredited non-governmental organization
22 whose advocacy is environmental preservation;
- 23 (f) One (1) representative from the academe; and
- 24 (g) One (1) representative from the business sector.

1 The Board shall prepare the necessary rules and regulations for the proper
2 implementation of this Act and shall, when necessary, amend, modify or revise such
3 rules and regulations to meet existing needs.

4 The Municipal Government of Jose Panganiban shall provide a Secretariat for
5 the Board, including the funding necessary to cover the expenses for the performance
6 of its official functions and activities.

7 **SEC. 4. *Role of the DOT.*** – The DOT shall assist the Municipal Government
8 of Jose Panganiban in the implementation of the tourism development plan by
9 providing technical assistance in tourism capacity building. It shall also include the
10 Municipality of Jose Panganiban in its national and regional promotion programs.

11 **SEC. 5. *Appropriations.*** – The funding for the implementation of this Act shall
12 be included in the annual budget of the Municipal Government of Jose Panganiban.
13 The DOT may augment such allocation with internally generated funds.

14 **SEC. 6. *Separability Clause.*** – If any provision of this Act shall be declared
15 unconstitutional or invalid, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full
16 force and effect.

17 **SEC. 7. *Repealing Clause.*** – All laws, rules, regulations, presidential decrees,
18 and other issuances inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Act are hereby
19 repealed or amended accordingly.

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

Approved,