

Republic of the Philippines
Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao
BANGSAMORO TRANSITION AUTHORITY
BARMM Compound, Cotabato City

FIRST REGULAR SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 20

**RESOLUTION ENDORSEMENT BY THE BANGSAMORO TRANSITION
AUTHORITY/BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS GOVERNMENT IN
THE APPOINTMENT OF COURT OF APPEALS JUSTICE JAPAR B.
DIMAAMPAO AS SUPREME COURT JUSTICE**

WHEREAS, the Judicial and Bar Council (JBC) has opened the application and recommendation for the Supreme Court position to be vacated by Associate Justice Mariano C. del Castillo, who is retiring on July 29, 2019;

WHEREAS, one of the nominees recommended by the JBC is Marawi City native and Court of Appeals (CA) Associate Justice Japar B. Dimaampao (Chair, 7th Division), who holds the distinction of being the youngest magistrate ever to have been appointed to the Appellate Court, and is currently one of the senior incumbent Justices of the Court of Appeals, having served for more or less fifteen (15) years;

WHEREAS, the nomination of Justice Dimaampao is in accordance to Section 11, Article VI of RA 11054, otherwise known as the Bangsamoro Organic Law, which provides:

“As far as practicable, the Bangsamoro Government shall be represented in the departments, offices, commissions, agencies and bureaus of the National Government that implement and enforce policies, programs, and projects of the National Government in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region.”

WHEREAS, aside from being an expert in Taxation and Commercial Law, the Marawi-born CA Associate Justice has the honor of being the first and only Muslim Senior State Prosecutor, Bar Reviewer, Professor of Law of the University of Santo Tomas, and a Member of the University of the Philippines Law Center, Committee on Bar Examinations in Commercial Law and Taxation;

WHEREAS, Justice Dimaampao exemplifies a dedicated Bangsamoro Filipino public servant and advocate of the rule of law, unafraid of abusive governmental powers and adamant in his belief that truth, justice and freedom will always prevail;

WHEREAS, Justice Dimaampao continuously displays brilliance and excellence in the legal profession as he was accorded the Model Law Professor Award by the Huwarang Pilipino Program; a finalist for the Judicial Excellence Awards; the privilege of being Chair Holder of the Pedro Concepcion Professorial Chair for Commercial Law, and the honor of being a Hall of Famer and an Outstanding Alumnus of the University of the East;

WHEREAS, Justice Dimaampao deserves to occupy the seat to be vacated by Justice Mariano del Castillo, not only for his vast experience in the Appellate Court in the review and revision of judgments and orders of lower courts, but also to continue the legacy of being an inspiration and an example for the Bangsamoro People, especially in the recognition of the aspirations of Muslim Filipinos, and the legitimacy of the cause of the Bangsamoro People;

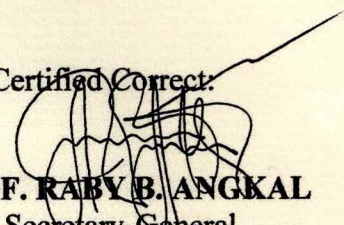
NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority to endorse/express support in the nomination of Court of Appeals Justice Japar B. Dimaampao to occupy a seat as a Supreme Court Justice.

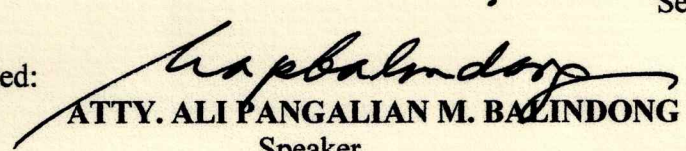
RESOLVED, FURTHER, to forward the foregoing resolution to His Excellency, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte, copy furnished the Judicial and Bar Council, for appropriate action.

Adopted, July 29, 2019.

Certified Correct:


PROF. RABY B. ANGKAL
Secretary-General

Attested:


ATTY. ALI PANGALIAN M. BALINDONG
Speaker

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