



**THIRD REGULAR SESSION**

**RESOLUTION NO. 193**

**RESOLUTION URGING THE PHILIPPINE CONGRESS-BANGSAMORO PARLIAMENT FORUM TO CONSIDER STRENGTHENING ITS MECHANISM FOR EFFECTIVE COOPERATION AND COORDINATION OF LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVES AS PROVIDED UNDER REPUBLIC ACT NO. 11054, ESTABLISHING FOR THE PURPOSE A SECRETARIAT WITHIN THE MANILA LIAISON OFFICE TASKED TO COORDINATE WITH THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND THE SENATE OF THE PHILIPPINES**

**WHEREAS**, Section 3, Article XVI of Republic Act No. 11054, otherwise known as Bangsamoro Organic Law (BOL) specifically provides for the creation of the Philippine Congress-Bangsamoro Parliament Forum under the principle of intergovernmental relations which shall serve as the locus of cooperation and coordination for legislative measures involving both the regional and national government;

**WHEREAS**, Section 10 of the same article stipulates that:

*“When such acts require the creation of a legislative district, the Bangsamoro Government shall cooperate and coordinate with the National Government through the Philippine Congress-Bangsamoro Parliament Forum to prioritize the deliberations on the creation of a legislative district.”*

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to the above mandate, Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 5 was approved on January 21, 2020 urging the Bangsamoro Transition Authority (BTA) to designate its representatives to the said Forum in order to meet with the delegates designated by both the Senate and the House of Representatives;

**WHEREAS**, in one of the resolutory clauses of the aforecited resolution, the Senate believed that the Philippine Congress-Bangsamoro Parliament Forum is imperative to facilitate legislative measures and initiatives concerning the Bangsamoro Government and its people;

**WHEREAS**, consistent with the above, BTA Resolution No. 63 was approved on February 19, 2021, calling the same and in compliance thereto the same was duly constituted and eleven (11) members of the BTA Parliament have been chosen to be the representatives to the said forum;

**WHEREAS**, the existing Forum shall serve as the coordinating unit for the two legislative bodies to resolve the potential issues and conflicts affecting the implementation of provisions of the BOL as well as to closely monitor and oversee those bills filed in Congress affecting the Bangsamoro Government;

**WHEREAS**, on October 28, 2021, Section 13, Article XVI of the BOL was amended by virtue of Republic Act No. 11593, extending the transition period by another three (3) years from 2022 to 2025 without benefit of a plebiscite;

**WHEREAS**, it is imperative for the Philippine Congress-Bangsamoro Parliament Forum to strengthen its mechanism in order to closely monitor and oversee the effective implementation of the



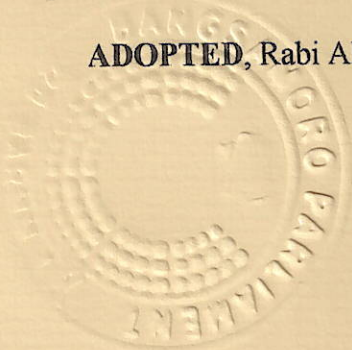
BOL so that the same can be discussed thoroughly by the forum in case there will be some amendments or other proposed legislation affecting the Bangsamoro Government in the future:

**NOW, THEREFORE,** be it

**RESOLVED,** as it is hereby resolved by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority, to urge the Philippine Congress-Bangsamoro Parliament Forum to consider strengthening its mechanism for effective cooperation and coordination of legislative initiatives as provided under Republic Act No. 11054, establishing for the purpose a secretariat within the Manila Liaison Office tasked to coordinate with the House of Representatives and the Senate of the Philippines.

**RESOLVED, FURTHER,** to forward the foregoing Resolution to the House of Representatives and the Senate of the Philippines, for information and appropriate consideration.

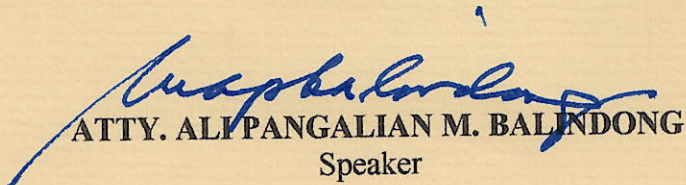
**ADOPTED,** Rabi Al-akhir 19, 1443/November 24, 2021.



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