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EXPLANATORY NOTE

It is worth noting that during the previous Congress, this bill was approved by the House of Representatives on Third Reading and was transmitted to the Senate. Unfortunately, the Senate was not able to act on it on time.

Republic Act 9593 or the Tourism Act of 2009 declared tourism as an indispensable element of the national economy that shall spur socio-economic growth, investment and employment in the country.

In this light, this bill was filed which declares as tourist spots the stretch of beaches that form part of the Albay West Coast in the Third District of the Province of Albay. These beaches are located at the following local government units: barangays Buenavista, Malidong, Basicao Coastal, and Marigondon, in the Municipality of Pioduran; b) barangays Maonon, Cabarian, and Catburawan, in the City of Ligao; c) barangays Badian, Cagmanaba, Maramba, and Nagas, in the Municipality of Oas; and d) barangays Apud, Rawis, Talin-Talin, and Pantao, in the Municipality of Libon.

Developing the said stretch of beaches into tourist spots will generate investment and foreign exchange in the area and will also provide employment opportunities for local residents. With the influx of tourists, these tourist spots will also be a significant source of business opportunities.

In view of the foregoing, approval of this bill is earnestly requested.
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AN ACT DECLARING THE STRETCH OF BEACHES THAT LINE THE ALBAY WEST COAST IN THE THIRD DISTRICT OF THE PROVINCE OF ALBAY AS TOURIST SPOTS AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The stretch of beaches that form part of the Albay West Coast located in the Third District of the Province of Albay are hereby declared as tourist spots. These include:

a. the beaches in barangays Apud, Rawis, Talin-Talin, and Pantao, in the Municipality of Libon;

b. the beaches in barangays Maanon, Cabarian, and Catburawan, in the City of Ligao;

c. the beaches in barangays Badian, Cagmanaba, Maramba, and Nagas, in the Municipality of Oas; and

d. the beaches in barangays Buenavista, Malidong, Basicao Coastal, and Marigondon, in the Municipality of Pioduran.

As such, their development shall be prioritized by the Department of Tourism (DOT) and shall be subject to the rules and regulations governing the development of tourist spots.

SEC. 2. The technical description of the foreshore areas for declaration and development as tourist spots are as follows:

Foreshore Areas of Municipality of Libon

Lot 1 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-10-28.99, East Longitude = 123-18-23.89, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S.44-36 W., with a distance of 19, 987.56 meters and ending at a point marked “188-1”, bearing N.21 – 19 W., with a distance of 82.61 meters and covering an area of 551,077.00 square meters.
Lot 2 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-10-28.99, East Longitude = 123-18-23.89, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S.44-36 W., with a distance of 19,987.56 meters and ending at a point marked “37-1”, bearing N.71 – 25 E., with a distance of 25.16 meters and covering an area of 37,440.00 square meters.

Lot 3 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-11-37.44, East Longitude = 123-18-52.15, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S. 47-24 W., with a distance of 17,914.69 meters and ending at a point marked “62-1”, bearing S. 17-21 E., with a distance of 55.35 meters and covering an area of 68,837.00 square meters.

Lot 4 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-11-37.44, East Longitude = 123-18-52.15, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S. 47-24 W., with a distance of 17,914.69 meters and ending at a point marked “363-1”, bearing N. 11-18 E., with a distance of 37.84 meters and covering an area of 763,505.00 square meters.

Foreshore Areas of the City of Ligao

Lot 1 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-2-33.99, East Longitude = 123-17-57.58, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S.48-48 W., with a distance of 33,795.75 meters and ending at a point marked “65-1”, bearing S. 86-20 W., with a distance of 34.98 meters and covering an area of 176,234.07 square meters.

Lot 2 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-1-22.23, East Longitude = 123-18-29.88, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S.48-00 W., with a distance of 34,589.58 meters and ending at a point marked “128-1”, bearing S. 26-43 W., with a distance of 41.59 meters and covering an area of 303,230.10 square meters.

Lot 3 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-0-57.72, East Longitude = 123-19-59.27, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S.45-48 W., with a distance of 33,303.73 meters and ending at a point marked “209-1”, bearing S. 83-15 E., with a distance of 34.94 meters and covering an area of 301,683.74 square meters.

Lot 4 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-2-14.22, East Longitude = 123-22-2.73, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S. 38-17 W., with a distance of 29,119.82 meters and ending at a point marked “101-1”, bearing S. 14-12 W., with a distance of 71.48 meters and covering an area of 54,028.86 square meters.

Foreshore Areas of Municipality of Oas

Lot 1 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-7-56.22, East Longitude = 123-17-22.23, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S.57-36 W., with a distance of 26,637.52 meters and ending at a point marked “422-1”, bearing N. 77-34 E., with a distance of 40.24 meters and covering an area of 1,049,558.02 square meters.

Foreshore Areas of Municipality of Pio Duran

Lot 1 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-2-34.19, East Longitude = 123-23-7.37, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S. 53-51 W., with a distance of 28,499.00 meters and ending at a point marked “51-1”, bearing N. 41-29 E., with a distance of 6.77 meters and covering an area of 35,812.77 square meters.
Lot 2 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-2-33.61, East Longitude = 123-23-32.18, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S. 52-55 W., with a distance of 27,909.09 meters and ending at a point marked “10-1”, bearing S. 32-07 W., with a distance of 120.62 meters and covering an area of 3,695.01 square meters.

Lot 3 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-2-39.82, East Longitude = 123-23-37.74, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S. 53-02 W., with a distance of 27,635.84 meters and ending at a point marked “23-1”, bearing N. 39-23 E., with a distance of 25.36 meters and covering an area of 8,283.02 square meters.

Lot 4 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-2-51.11, East Longitude = 123-23-51.73, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S. 53-05 W., with a distance of 27,115.17 meters and ending at a point marked “54-1”, bearing S. 61-47 W., with a distance of 90.35 meters and covering an area of 15,248.66 square meters.

Lot 5 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-2-53.78, East Longitude = 123-24-25.78, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S. 53-53 W., with a distance of 26,250.77 meters and ending at a point marked “133-1”, bearing N. 40-56 E., with a distance of 65.66 meters and covering an area of 18,253.00 square meters.

Lot 6 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-2-35.28, East Longitude = 123-25-21.54, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S. 48-31 W., with a distance of 25,321.07 meters and ending at a point marked “27-1”, bearing N. 28-12 E., with a distance of 8.31 meters and covering an area of 16,979.60 square meters.

Lot 7 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-2-29.34, East Longitude = 123-25-32.71, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S. 47-42 W., with a distance of 25,191.76 meters and ending at a point marked “6-1”, bearing N. 35-07 W., with a distance of 50.85 meters and covering an area of 3,412.37 square meters.

Lot 8 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-2-25.58, East Longitude = 123-25-37.53, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S. 47-17 W., with a distance of 25,162.39 meters and ending at a point marked “53-1”, bearing N. 55-54 W., with a distance of 81.61 meters and covering an area of 14,245.89 square meters.

Lot 9 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-2-4.22, East Longitude = 123-25-55.47, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S. 45-21 W., with a distance of 25,223.17 meters and ending at a point marked “31-1”, bearing S. 27-26 E., with a distance of 2.68 meters and covering an area of 4,318.70 square meters.

Lot 10 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-2-3.84, East Longitude = 123-25-57.44, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S. 45-15 W., with a distance of 25,189.38 meters and ending at a point marked “15-1”, bearing N. 01-23 E., with a distance of 48.90 meters and covering an area of 10,585.29 square meters.

Lot 11 - with corner 1 coordinates, North Latitude = 13-2-1.75, East Longitude = 123-26-5.27, beginning at a point marked cor “1”, bearing S. 44-46 W., with a distance of 25,067.33 meters and ending at a point marked “471-1”, bearing N. 14-09 E., with a distance of 70.59 meters and covering an area of 267,520.00 square meters.
SEC. 3. Within one (1) year from the effectivity of this Act, The DOT, in coordination with other government agencies concerned, shall prepare a tourism development plan involving the construction, installation and/or maintenance of such appropriate facilities and infrastructure as shall encourage tourism in the area.

SEC. 4. The DOT shall take immediate steps to implement the said development plan and incorporate the same in its tourism development program for the ensuing calendar year.

SEC. 5. The Secretary of the DOT shall include in the Department's program the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act and internally generated funds of the DOT.

SEC. 6. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,