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Introduced by Honorable Deogracias Victor 'DV' B. Savellano

RESOLUTION

TO UTILIZE IDLE LANDS IN MILITARY RESERVATIONS AND IN STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES (SUCS), ON ANCESTRAL LANDS, AND ON WATERSHEDS AND LAND AREAS WITHIN THE LAGUNA LAKE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY'S (LLDA'S) JURISDICTION FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMERCIAL BAMBOO PLANTATIONS USING COMMERCIAL BAMBOO SPECIES

WHEREAS, Executive Order or EO 879 established the Philippine Bamboo Industry Development Council (PBIDC) to provide the over-all policy and directions of the bamboo industry programs for all stakeholders;

WHEREAS, Section 3 of EO 879 mandates the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and its agencies to use bamboo as planting material for at least twenty percent (20%) of its annual reforestation and rehabilitation of areas especially in provinces and towns which are engaged in or have potential to engage in bamboo-based industries;

WHEREAS, one of the greatest challenges of the bamboo industry is the insufficiency of the supply of bamboo raw materials;

WHEREAS, one way to provide the bamboo industry its needed raw material supply is for the private sector to establish commercial bamboo plantations of commercial species;

WHEREAS, there are idle lands in military reservations all over the country; in State Universities and Colleges (SUCs); in ancestral lands; and in the watersheds and land areas within the Laguna Lake Development Authority's (LLDA's) jurisdiction which could be the sites for commercial bamboo plantations;

WHEREAS, the Enhanced National Greening Program (ENGP) of the DENR will be provided funds from the national government under the General Appropriations Act (GAA) for 2020;

WHEREAS, the establishment of commercial bamboo plantations in the idle lands of the military reservations and SUCs; ancestral lands; and watersheds and land areas within the LLDA's jurisdiction are part of the ENGP;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that the idle lands in military reservations; in State Colleges and Universities (SUCs); in ancestral domains; and those watersheds and land areas within the Laguna Lake Development Authority's (LLDA's) jurisdiction shall be used in the establishment of commercial bamboo plantations using commercial bamboo species.

Adopted,



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