



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 6588

BY REPRESENTATIVES FORTUN AND NOGRALES (K.A.), PER
COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 445

AN ACT DECLARING THE CITY OF BUTUAN A HERITAGE
TOURISM ZONE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS
THEREFOR

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

1 SECTION. 1. The City of Butuan is hereby declared as a
2 heritage tourism zone. As such, it shall be accorded priority
3 development by the Department of Tourism (DOT) in coordination
4 with the National Historical Institute, the National Museum and
5 other government agencies. It shall be subject to the rules and
6 regulations governing the development of tourist zones.

7 The City of Butuan is rich with historical and cultural
8 landmarks, rivers and mountain resources, indigenous
9 communities, and other areas full of potentials for heritage,
10 prehistoric and cultural tourism industry.

11 SEC. 2. The City of Butuan, situated in Region XIII,
12 CARAGA, is bounded on the North, Municipality of Magallanes,

1 Municipality of Remedios T. Romualdez, Agusan del Norte and
 2 Butuan Bay; on the West, Municipality of Buenavista, Agusan del
 3 Norte; on the East, Municipality of Sibagat, Agusan del Sur; on the
 4 South, Municipality of Las Nieves, Agusan del Norte.

5 The technical description of the City of Butuan being declared
 6 as heritage tourism zone are as follows:

7 Beginning at the point marked "1" on the plan being S 43° 27'
 8 W, 920.67 m. from BLLM #1 CAD 668, Magallanes;

9	thence	S 42° 54' E	2900.17 m.	to point 2;
10	thence	N 89° 59' E	1877.92 m.	to point 3;
11	thence	S 89° 59' E	2743.11 m.	to point 4;
12	thence	due North	878.37 m.	to point 5;
13	thence	due North	1153.59 m.	to point 6;
14	thence	due North	5600.02 m.	to point 7;
15	thence	S 78° 14' E	10688.04 m.	to point 8;
16	thence	N 89° 29' E	1000.00 m.	to point 9;
17	thence	N 89° 29' E	1000.00 m.	to point 10;
18	thence	N 89° 29' E	1000.00 m.	to point 11;
19	thence	N 89° 29' E	500.00 m.	to point 12;
20	thence	N 89° 29' E	500.00 m.	to point 13;
21	thence	N 89° 29' E	500.00 m.	to point 14;
22	thence	N 87° 42' E	1408.24 m.	to point 15;
23	thence	S 86° 19' E	594.02 m.	to point 16;
24	thence	N 89° 29' E	1000.00 m.	to point 17;
25	thence	N 89° 29' E	3188.03 m.	to point 18;
26	thence	S 34° 45' W	2000.00 m.	to point 19;
27	thence	S 34° 45' W	2000.00 m.	to point 20;

1	thence	S 34° 45' W	1000.00 m.	to point 21;
2	thence	S 34° 45' W	1000.00 m.	to point 22;
3	thence	S 34° 45' W	1000.00 m.	to point 23;
4	thence	S 34° 45' W	500.00 m.	to point 24;
5	thence	S 34° 45' W	500.00 m.	to point 25;
6	thence	S 34° 45' W	1000.00 m.	to point 26;
7	thence	S 34° 45' W	1000.00 m.	to point 27;
8	thence	S 34° 45' W	3472.10 m.	to point 28;
9	thence	S 55° 42' W	6585.79 m.	to point 29;
10	thence	S 38° 00' W	1460.99 m.	to point 30;
11	thence	S 19° 06' E	8985.89 m.	to point 31;
12	thence	S 15° 12' E	8769.37 m.	to point 32;
13	thence	S 76° 17' W	4366.72 m.	to point 33;
14	thence	S 89° 50' W	16070.73 m.	to point 34;
15	thence	N 28° 51' W	1204.81 m.	to point 35;
16	thence	N 52° 26' W	5489.15 m.	to point 36;
17	thence	N 53° 37' W	2816.24 m.	to point 37;
18	thence	N 06° 44' W	6622.50 m.	to point 38;
19	thence	N 17° 56' E	1624.13 m.	to point 39;
20	thence	N 16° 00' E	500.00 m.	to point 40;
21	thence	N 16° 00' E	500.00m.	to point 41;
22	thence	N 16° 00' E	999.97m.	to point 42;
23	thence	N 16° 00' E	500.01m.	to point 43;
24	thence	N 16° 00' E	500.00m.	to point 44;
25	thence	N 16° 00' E	400.10m.	to point 45;
26	thence	N 16° 00' E	400.10m.	to point 46;
27	thence	N 16° 00' E	500.01m.	to point 47;

1	thence	N 16° 00' E	500.10m.	to point 48;
2	thence	N 15° 59' E	5023.49m.	to point 49;
3	thence	N 05° 15' W	4235.48m.	to point 50;
4	thence	N 58° 29' E	6100.91m.	to point 51;
5	thence	S 67° 06' E	1171.30m.	to point 1;

6 The City of Butuan has an area of 829,702,477.50 sq. m. All
7 points referred to are indicated on the plan and marked on the
8 ground by municipal boundary monuments and all points not
9 otherwise described are concrete cylindrical monuments of 15 x 15 x
10 60 cm.

11 SEC. 3. The DOT, in coordination with the Tourism
12 Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone Authority (TIEZA) and other
13 concerned agencies of the government, including the National
14 Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP), the National
15 Museum of the Philippines, and other government agencies,
16 including the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH),
17 shall prepare the necessary tourism development plan, providing for
18 their development and maintenance, including improvement and
19 restoration of sites, where appropriate, in conformity with set
20 standards, construction of hotels, resorts, restaurants, recreational
21 facilities and other appropriate facilities and infrastructure:
22 *Provided*, That the said development plan shall ensure the
23 preservation of the cultural heritage and the historical significance
24 of the area/s concerned.

25 SEC. 4. The DPWH shall coordinate with the DOT for the
26 necessary construction and/or improvement of roads and other
27 infrastructure projects upon promulgation of this Act, and

1 incorporate the design, construction and funding of the same in its
2 infrastructure programs.

3 SEC. 5. The Secretary of the DOT and the Secretary of the
4 DPWH shall include in their respective programs the
5 implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included
6 in the annual General Appropriations Act or charged against the
7 internally generated funds of the DOT.

8 SEC. 6. The DOT shall take immediate steps to implement
9 the development plan and incorporate this in the Department's
10 overall tourism development program for the ensuing year. The
11 DOT shall likewise promulgate the necessary rules and regulations
12 for the proper implementation of this Act.

13 SEC. 7. All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules
14 and regulations or parts thereof which are inconsistent with any of
15 the provisions of this Act shall be deemed repealed or modified
16 accordingly.

17 SEC. 8. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
18 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in any newspaper of general
19 circulation.

Approved,

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