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H. No. 8983

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

BY REPRESENTATIVES BATAOIL AND NIETO, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1160

AN ACT DECLARING THE NAYONG AGUILAR YLANG YLANG PLANTATION IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF AGUILAR, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN AN AGRI-TOURISM DESTINATION AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. The Nayong Aguilar Ylang Ylang Plantation in the Municipality of Aguilar, Province of Pangasinan is hereby declared an agri-tourism destination. As such, its development shall be prioritized by the Department of Tourism (DOT), subject to the rules and regulations governing the development of agri-tourism destinations.

SEC. 2. Within six (6) months after the approval of this Act, the DOT, in coordination with the Tourism Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone Authority, Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Department of Agriculture (DA) and other concerned agencies of the government, shall prepare a tourism development plan involving the construction, installation and maintenance of such appropriate facilities and infrastructure as shall encourage tourism in the area: *Provided*, That the

development plan shall ensure the preservation of the natural
beauty of the area.

SEC. 3. The DOT, in coordination with the DENR and DA, shall take immediate steps to implement the tourism development plan and incorporate the same in its tourism development program for the ensuing calendar year.

SEC. 4. 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. 5. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of the DOT and the Secretary of the DA shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for its proper implementation.

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,