HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 8962

BY REPRESENTATIVE DIMAPORO (M.K.), PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 836

AN ACT
DECLARING PAGAYAWAN FALLS LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BACOLOD, PROVINCE OF LANAO DEL NORTE, A TOURIST SPOT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1   **SECTION 1.** Pagayawan Falls located in the Municipality of Bacolod, Province of
2   Lanao del Norte is hereby declared a tourist spot. As such, its development shall be prioritized
3   by the Department of Tourism (DOT), subject to the rules and regulations governing the
4   development of tourist spots.

5   **Sec. 2.** Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the DOT, in coordination with
6   the Tourism Infrastructure and Enterprise Zone Authority (TIEZA) and other concerned
7   agencies of the government, shall prepare a tourism development plan including the
8   construction, installation and maintenance of such appropriate facilities that shall enhance
9   tourism in the area. The said development plan shall be submitted to the Province of Lanao
10   del Norte Tourism Council for approval.

11   **Sec. 3.** The DOT, in coordination with TIEZA, shall take immediate steps to implement
12   the tourism development plan for Pagayawan Falls, and shall incorporate the same in its
13   tourism development program for the ensuing calendar year.

14   **Sec. 4.** The Secretary of the DOT shall include in the Department's program the
15   implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
16   Appropriations Act, and shall augment such allocation with internally generated funds of the
17   Department.

18   **Sec. 5.** Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the DOT shall promulgate
19   the necessary rules and regulations for the proper implementation of this Act.

20   **Sec. 6.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*

21   *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

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23   *Approved,*