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AN ACT

STRENGTHENING THE CONSERVATION AND PROTECTION OF PHILIPPINE CULTURAL HERITAGE THROUGH CULTURAL MAPPING AND AN ENHANCED CULTURAL HERITAGE EDUCATION PROGRAM, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10066, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE "NATIONAL CULTURAL HERITAGE ACT OF 2009"

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

SECTION 1. Article II, Section 3 of Republic Act (R.A.) No. 10066, otherwise known as the "National Cultural Heritage Act of 2009," is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 3. *Definition of Terms*. – For purposes of this Act, the following terms shall be defined as follows:

"(a) 'Adaptive reuse' shall refer to the utilization of buildings, other built-structures and sites of value for purposes other than that for which they were intended originally, in order to conserve the [site, their engineering integrity and authenticity of design.] SIGNIFICANCE OF THE SITE AND EXTEND ITS USE AND VALUE IN CONTEMPORARY AND FUTURE CONTEXT.

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"(O) 'CULTURAL MAPPING' SHALL REFER TO THE APPROACHES EMPLOYED TO IDENTIFY, RECORD AND USE CULTURAL HERITAGE RESOURCES AND ACTIVITIES FOR BUILDING AND EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES. IT IS A SYSTEMATIC SET OF ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGICAL PROCESSES FOR EXPLORING, DISCOVERING, DOCUMENTING, EXAMINING, ANALYZING, INTERPRETING, PRESENTING, AND SHARING INFORMATION RELATED TO PEOPLE,

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"(EE) 'NATURAL HERITAGE' SHALL REFER TO FLORA AND FAUNA, PHYSICAL, GEOLOGICAL AND PHYSIOGRAPHICAL FORMATIONS OF THE ENVIRONMENT, AND OTHER RELATED ECOSYSTEMS, WHETHER TERRESTRIAL, WETLAND OR MARINE, AND THE ECOSYSTEM SERVICES THEY PROVIDE.

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"[(dd)] (FF) 'Natural property of cultural significance' shall refer to [areas possessing outstanding ecosystem with flora and fauna of national scientific importance] HERITAGE CHARACTERIZED BY **INTENSE** ENDEMICITY, AND UNIQUE BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY under the National Integrated Protected Areas System[.] PURSUANT TO R.A. 7586, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM ACT OF 1992,' AS AMENDED, INCLUDING OTHER PROTECTED AREAS RECOGNIZED INTERNATIONALLY UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF **PHILIPPINE** GOVERNMENT, SUCH AS HERITAGE BIOSPHERE RESERVES, AND RAMSAR SITES, AMONG OTHERS. IT SHALL LIKEWISE INCLUDE THREATENED SPECIES OF PLANTS AND ANIMALS IDENTIFIED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF R.A. 9147, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'WILDLIFE RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND PROTECTION ACT.'

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"[(ee)] (GG) 'NCCA Portal Cultural Databank' shall refer to the specific domain in the Commission's [intranet for cultural information that is accessed only internally with control and confidentiality.] ONLINE DATABASE WHERE DIGITIZED CULTURAL MAPS ARE LODGED FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE PUBLIC AND FOR SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND ACADEMIC PURPOSES. It includes the registry of national cultural property. THE INFORMATION ON PRIVATE OWNERSHIP OF THE REGISTERED CULTURAL PROPERTIES IN THIS DATABANK SHALL REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 14 OF R.A. NO. 10066 AND R.A. 10173, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE 'DATA PRIVACY ACT OF 2012.'

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"(II) 'PHILIPPINE CULTURAL STATISTICS FRAMEWORK' SHALL REFER TO THE CONCEPTUAL MODEL FOR DEFINING CULTURE STATISTICAL PURPOSES THAT WAS JOINTLY ADOPTED BY THE COMMISSION AND THE PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY (PSA) UNDER PSA BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2, SERIES OF 2016, ENTITLED, 'APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE PHILIPPINE CULTURAL STATISTICS FRAMEWORK.' IT IS A TOOL FOR ORGANIZING CULTURAL STATISTICS **THAT** INTERNATIONALLY **SUPPORTS** THE NATIONALLY AND **DEVELOPMENT** OF DATA COLLECTION **INSTRUMENTS** AND INDICATORS AND A METHODOLOGY FOR THE PRODUCTION OF HARMONIZED DATA AND INDICATORS.

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1 "(JJ) 'RECONSTRUCTION' SHALL REFER TO AN ACTION OF REPAIR 2 WHEREBY THE STRUCTURE IS RETURNED TO ITS EARLIER STATE BY 3 INTRODUCING NEW MATERIALS, FORM, AND TECHNOLOGY. 4 5 "[(gg)] (KK) 'Registry' shall refer to the Philippine Registry of Cultural Property 6 [which is the registry of all cultural property of the country deemed of significant 7 importance to our cultural heritage.] WHICH IS A REPOSITORY OF THE 8 LISTING, DOCUMENTATION, AND STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE OF 9 ALL CULTURAL PROPERTIES OF THE COUNTRY THAT HAVE BEEN 10 DEEMED LOCALLY AND NATIONALLY SIGNIFICANT. 11 12 "[(hh)] (LL) 'Restoration' shall refer to [the action taken or the technical intervention 13 to correct deterioration and alterations.] THE ACT OF REPAIRING A 14 STRUCTURE WHEREBY IT IS RETURNED TO ITS EARLIER STATE BY 15 USING ORIGINAL MATERIALS. FORMS, 16 TECHNOLOGY. 17 18 "[(ii)] (MM) x x x." 19 20 SEC. 2. Article V, Section 14 of R.A. 10066 is hereby amended to read as follows: 21 22 "SEC. 14. Establishment of a Philippine Registry of Cultural Property. – All 23 cultural properties of the country deemed important to cultural heritage shall be 24 registered in the Philippine Registry of Cultural Property. 25 "The Commission, through the appropriate cultural agencies and local government 26 27 units, shall establish and maintain this Registry [within three (3) years from the 28 effectivity of this Act]. The guidelines in the registration of cultural property are as 29 follows: 30 31 x x x32 "(c) [Both] THE cultural agencies concerned and local government units shall 33 34 continuously coordinate in [making entries and in] monitoring AND UPDATING [the various cultural properties in] their respective [inventory] CULTURAL 35 36 PROPERTY INVENTORIES. THE COMMISSION 37 TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE TO LGUS FOR THE 38 INVENTORY AND UPDATING OF LOCALLY AND NATIONALLY-39 DECLARED CULTURAL PROPERTIES, AND TANGIBLE AND INTANGIBLE 40 HERITAGE. 41

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"THE INCLUSION OF CULTURAL PROPERTIES BELONGING TO THE INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES OR INDIGENOUS PEOPLES (ICCs/IPs) IN THE REGISTRY SHALL BE SUBJECT TO PRIOR CONSULTATION WITH THE ICCs/IPs AND THEIR FREE, PRIOR, AND INFORMED CONSENT."

SEC. 3. A new Section 14A is hereby inserted after Section 14 of Republic Act No. 10066 to read as follows:

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"SEC. 14A. CULTURAL MAPPING BY LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS. -LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS (LGUs) ARE HEREBY MANDATED TO CONDUCT A COMPREHENSIVE CULTURAL MAPPING OF THEIR AREAS JURISDICTION. THEY SHALL MOBILIZE AND ESTABLISH PARTNERSHIPS WITH CONCERNED GOVERNMENT AGENCIES TO ENSURE PROMPT AND EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION PROVISION OF THIS ACT. THEY MAY SEEK ASSISTANCE FROM NONGOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS, CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS. ACADEMIC AND PRIVATE INSTITUTIONS IN THE UNDERTAKING OF MAPPING **ACTIVITIES:** PROVIDED, THAT INSTITUTIONS ADHERE TO THE GUIDELINES SET FORTH BY THE COMMISSION. ALL FINDINGS AND OUTPUTS SHALL BE SUBMITTED IN THE PHILIPPINE REGISTRY OF CULTURAL PROPERTY.

"LGUs SHALL COORDINATE WITH THE FOLLOWING AGENCIES FOR THE CONDUCT OF CULTURAL MAPPING:

- "(A) COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION FOR THE INSTITUTION OF CULTURAL AWARENESS IN STATE UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES, AND STRENGTHENING OF CULTURE, HERITAGE, ARTS AND HISTORY RESEARCHES THAT IMPACT ON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT;
- "(B) DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE DOCUMENTATION OF CROPS, PRODUCTS, TECHNOLOGIES, AGRICULTURAL HERITAGE HERITAGE SYSTEMS, AND FOOD SOURCES THAT SUSTAIN THE INDIGENOUS LOCAL COMMUNITIES, AND INVENTORY OF NATURAL AND NON-TRADITIONAL FIBERS AND ITS **PROCESSES** UTILIZATION;
- "(C) DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR THE INSTITUTION OF CULTURAL AWARENESS IN BASIC EDUCATION; CAPACITY-BUILDING PROGRAM FOR TEACHERS IN MAPPING HERITAGE RESOURCES OF LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND CULTURAL PEDAGOGY; AND LOCALIZATION AND CONTEXTUALIZATION OF EDUCATIONAL MATERIAL AND CONTENT BASED ON THE LOCALITIES' CULTURAL PROFILES TO CULTIVATE AWARENESS AND PRIDE IN COMMUNITY IDENTITY:
- "(D) DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES FOR THE INVENTORY OF NATIONAL PARKS AND AREAS THAT ARE HABITATS OF ENDEMIC SPECIES AND UNIQUE BIODIVERSITY; ENFORCEMENT FOR THE PROTECTION AND CONSERVATION OF NATURAL HERITAGE SITES; RESEARCH ON THE ECOSYSTEM SERVICES OF THE ENVIRONMENT TO THE LIVES OF THE PEOPLE; AND PROMOTION OF THE CONCEPT OF CULTURAL LANDSCAPE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT:
- "(E) DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS FOR THE ENHANCEMENT OF PHILIPPINE CULTURAL DIPLOMACY, AND PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAMS OF UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND

CULTURAL ORGANIZATION (UNESCO) CONVENTIONS AND OTHER 1 2 INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS: 3 4 OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS **DEPARTMENT** 5 TECHNOLOGY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY APPROPRIATED FOR IMPROVING 6 PUBLIC ACCESS, RESOURCE SHARING, AND DISSEMINATION OF 7 8 CULTURAL HERITAGE INFORMATION: 9 "(G) DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT FOR 10 THE STRENGTHENING OF THE COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE AND 11 12 DEVELOPMENT PLAN THAT RESPECT THE VALUE OF HERITAGE SITES 13 AND ZONES, AND CAPACITY BUILDING OF LOCAL CHIEF EXECUTIVES AND THE SANGGUNIAN ON CULTURE-BASED GOVERNANCE; 14 15 "(H) DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENSE FOR AWARENESS BUILDING 16 17 ON THE CULTURE, HERITAGE, AND HISTORY AS BASIS FOR CONFLICT SETTLEMENT, CULTURE-BASED APPROACH IN TRAUMA COUNSELING 18 PROCESS. AND DOCUMENTATION OF RESILIENCY MECHANISM OF 19 20 COMMUNITIES DURING DISASTERS AND CALAMITIES; 21 22 "(I) DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS FOR AWARENESS 23 BUILDING ON CULTURAL HERITAGE SENSITIVITY, AND INSTITUTION OF GUIDELINES FOR ITS PROGRAMS AS THEY IMPACT HERITAGE 24 25 ZONES AND SITES, IN COORDINATION WITH THE COMMISSION; 26 27 "(J) DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY FOR APPLICATION OF RESEARCH IN CONSERVATION OF MATERIALS AND STRUCTURES; 28 29 INVENTORY ON NATURAL RESOURCES OF DYES: TRADITIONAL 30 **TEXTILES** APPAREL MATERIALS, DESIGNS, AND TECHNIOUES. PROCESSES AND MACHINES, OTHER PERTINENT RESEARCH, AND 31 32 DEVELOPMENT AND INNOVATION FOR THE TEXTILE INDUSTRY 33 SECTOR IN THE COUNTRY: 34 35 "(K) DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM FOR THE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT PLANS AND CULTURE-BASED PROGRAMS FOR TOURISM SITES AND 36 37 NATIONAL AND WORLD HERITAGE DECLARED SITES, AND CULTURAL SENSITIVITY AND TOURISM CAPACITY BUILDING: 38 39 40 "(L) DEPARTMENT OF TRADE AND INDUSTRY FOR THE INVENTORY AND 41 DEVELOPMENT OF CULTURAL HERITAGE-BASED PRODUCTS AND 42 ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROGRAMS, AND THE ADOPTION CULTURALLY SENSITIVE TRADE FAIR PROMOTIONS AND PROGRAMS; 43 44 "(M) FILM DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL OF THE PHILIPPINES (FDCP) FOR 45 PROTECTION, PRESERVATION, AND DIGITALIZATION OF 46 47 NEGATIVES AND PRINTS, AUDIOVISUAL CONTENTS AND ELEMENTS 48 **AND** ARCHIVE. **INCLUDING STORY** NON-FILM OUTLINES. 49 SCREENPLAYS, SET AND STILLS PHOTOS, POSTERS, AND OTHER

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"(N) NATIONAL COMMISSION ON INDIGENOUS PEOPLES (NCIP) FOR THE IP-DRIVEN DOCUMENTATION, INVENTORY AND PUBLICATION OF ALL INFORMATION ABOUT THE ORIGIN AND HISTORY OF ICCS/IPS. SETTLEMENT PATTERNS AND ANCESTRAL DOMAINS, POPULATION AND SOCIAL DIASPORA, GOVERNANCE AND POLITICAL SYSTEMS INCLUDING CUSTOMARY LAWS, INDIGENOUS POLITICAL STRUCTURES, JUSTICE AND PEACE PACT SYSTEMS, AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION AND DECISION-MAKING MECHANISMS, SOCIAL ORGANIZATION KINSHIP, ECONOMY AND TECHNOLOGY, SPIRITUAL BELIEFS AND RITUALS, LIFE CYCLE CUSTOMS AND TRADITIONS, **MATERIAL** CULTURE. MEDICINAL KNOWLEDGE AND SCIENCES. **CLIMATE** CHANGE MITIGATION AND ADAPTATION, AND OTHER ATTRIBUTES OF THEIR ETHNICITY, LIFE SITUATIONS AND WORLDVIEWS ON THE INTERRELATIONSHIPS WITH THE CREATOR, LAND AND ENVIRONMENT, **OTHER** PEOPLE; UTILIZATION OF CULTURAL RESOURCES AND ACTIVITIES FOR THE EMPOWERMENT OF ICCS/IPS; AND MAINSTREAMING THE INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS. SKILLS AND PRACTICES IN NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AGENDA.

"IN ALL CASES WHEN THE CULTURAL MAPPING ACTIVITY AFFECTS AN ANCESTRAL DOMAIN, THE ICC/IP CONCERNED SHALL BE CONSULTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH EXISTING LAWS, RULES AND REGULATIONS; AND

"(O) PHILIPPINE INSTITUTE OF TRADITIONAL AND ALTERNATIVE HEALTH CARE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH FOR THE RESEARCH, DOCUMENTATION, AND INVENTORY OF PHILIPPINE TRADITIONAL MEDICINE AND PRACTICES IN HEALTH; AND RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT OF TRADITIONAL HERBAL MEDICINE AND TRADITIONALLY USED HERBAL PRODUCTS."

SEC. 4. Article X, Section 38 of R.A. 10066 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 38. Incorporation of National Cultural Treasures and Important Cultural Property in the Basic Education System. – [Within one (1) year from the effectivity of this Act, t]The Department of Education, in coordination with the Commission['s Philippine Cultural Education Program], shall formulate the cultural heritage education programs both for local and overseas Filipinos to be incorporated into the formal, alternative and informal education, with emphasis on the protection, conservation and preservation of cultural heritage property.

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SEC. 5. Article X, Section 39 of R.A. 10066 is hereby amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 39. Cultural Heritage Education Program. – [Within one (1) year from the effectivity of this Act, t]The Department of Education, the Technical Education and Skills Development Authority, and the Commission on Higher Education, in consultation with the Commission, shall set forth in its teaching programs nationwide the following cultural heritage education programs, WHICH SHALL BE

2 levels: 3 4 "(a) Protection, conservation and preservation of cultural heritage properties: 5 PROVIDED, THAT THE DEVELOPMENT AND COORDINATION OF SKILLS 6 TRAINING COURSES FOR VARIOUS FORMS OF TRADITIONAL MEDICINE 7 PRACTICES AND FORMULATIONS SHALL BE COORDINATED WITH THE 8 PITAHC: 9 10 "(B) RESEARCH AND DOCUMENTATION OF HERITAGE IN VARIOUS 11 PLATFORMS; 12 13 "(C) UTILIZATION OF CULTURAL HERITAGE IN INTERDISCIPLINARY 14 FIELDS TOWARDS SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT: PROVIDED, THAT 15 MUSIC, AUDIOVISUAL ARCHIVING SHALL SOUND, AND 16 COORDINATED WITH THE FDCP: 17 18 "[(b)] (D) x x x19 20 "(E) INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE SYSTEMS SKILLS AND PRACTICES 21 THROUGH THE APPROPRIATE SCHOOLS OF LIVING TRADITIONS 22 MODELS, WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF THE ICCs/IPs AND IN 23 CONJUNCTION WITH THE NCIP; 24 25 " $[(c)](F) \times X \times X$ 26 27 "(G) CAPACITY BUILDING OF AGENCIES AND COMMUNITIES THROUGH 28 CULTURE-BASED APPROACHES; 29 30 "(H) DEVELOPMENT OF THE PHILIPPINE FRAMEWORK FOR CULTURAL 31 HERITAGE COMPETENCY: PROVIDED. THAT COMPETENCIES FOR 32 ARCHIVING SHALL BE MUSIC, SOUND, AND AUDIOVISUAL 33 COORDINATED WITH THE FDCP; AND 34 35 "(I) CONTEXTUALIZATION OF EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS **AND** 36 CONTENT BASED ON LOCAL CULTURAL PROFILES." 37 38 SEC. 6. Nothing in this Act shall be construed to diminish the rights of ICCs/IPs as 39 provided for by the Constitution, R.A. 8371, otherwise known as the "Indigenous Peoples' Rights 40 Act of 1997," and all related international agreements and covenants on their rights. 41 42 SEC. 7. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Commission shall, in 43 coordination with concerned agencies of the government, promulgate the necessary rules and 44 regulations for the proper implementation of this Act.

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SEC. 9. Sections 3, 14, 38, and 39 of R.A. 10066 are hereby amended. All other laws, executive orders, presidential decrees, proclamations, rules, regulations, issuances, and enactments or parts thereof inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified

Act or any provision not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

SEC. 8. If any provision of this Act is declared unconstitutional, the remainder of this

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SEC. 10. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,