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AN ACT

ESTABLISHING THE CDO SENDONG MEMORIAL ECO-PARKS AND SHRINES IN THE CITY OF CAGAYAN DE ORO AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

SECTION 1. Establishment of Eco-parks. - There shall be established 1 five (5) memorial eco-parks and shrines in the City of Cagayan de Oro to be located 2 3 in Sitio Kalakala, Barangay Macasandig, in Isla de Oro, Barangay 13 and Barangay 15, in Isla Delta, Isla Bugnaw, and in Isla Baksan all in Barangay 4 Consolacion, to serve as final resting place for those who perished during the 5 onslaught of Typhoon Sendong on December 16, 2011, and a place where the lives 6 of all those who are missing can be memorialized. The eco-parks shall also serve 7 as a constant reminder to everyone to protect the environment in order to prevent 8 calamities and the needless loss of lives. 9

These memorial gardens shall be planted with trees and shall have an
 obelisk tower in the center to serve as a symbol and a reminder about the people
 who lost their lives or are still missing. River walls and retaining walls shall also
 be constructed to stabilize the slope along the parks.

- 5 SEC. 2. Creation of an Inter-Agency Committee. An Inter-Agency
 6 Committee is hereby created to manage and maintain these memorial gardens.
 7 The Inter-Agency Committee shall be composed of the following members:
- 8 (a) Regional Executive Director of the Department of Environment and
 9 Natural Resources (DENR) Region X, as Chairperson;
- 10 (b) Representative from the Disaster Risk Reduction and Management
 11 Council (DRRMC) Region X;
 - (c) Representative from the Department of Tourism (DOT) Region X;

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- (d) Representative from the Department of Public Works and Highways
 (DPWH) Region X;
- (e) A representative from each of the Congressional Districts of Cagayan De
 Oro; and
- 17 (f) Representative from the City Government of Cagayan de Oro.

18 SEC. 3. Appropriations. - The Secretaries of the DENR and DPWH shall 19 immediately include in their respective Department's programs the 20 implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual 21 General Appropriations Act.

SEC. 4. Implementing Rules and Regulations. – Within ninety (90) days
from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of the DENR shall issue the necessary
rules and regulations to implement this Act.

SEC. 5. Separability Clause. – If any section or provision of this Act is held
 unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining sections or provisions not affected
 thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SEC. 6. Repealing Clause. – All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and
 regulations, issuances or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Act
 are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

 SEC. 7. Effectivity. - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
 publication in the Official Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation. Approved, .