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BY REPRESENTATIVES CHUNGALAO, BARZAGA AND YAP (E.), PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 948

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“AN ACT

DECLARING A PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF KABAYAN, BOKOD AND BUGUIAS<sup>[5]</sup> IN THE PROVINCE OF BENGUET<sup>[5]</sup>; IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF TINOC<sup>[5]</sup> IN THE PROVINCE OF IFUGAO<sup>[5]</sup>; AND IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF KAYAPA IN THE PROVINCE OF NUEVA VIZCAYA, A PROTECTED AREA, WITH THE CATEGORY OF PROTECTED LANDSCAPE UNDER THE NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREAS SYSTEM (NIPAS), TO BE REFERRED TO AS THE MT. PULAG PROTECTED LANDSCAPE, PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR”

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

ARTICLE I

GENERAL PROVISIONS

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3       **SECTION 1. Title.** – This Act shall be known as the “Mt. Pulag Protected  
4 Landscape Act”.

5       **SEC. 2. Declaration of Policy.** – Cognizant of the profound impact of  
6 human activities on all components of the natural environment, it is hereby  
7 declared the policy of the State to secure for the Filipino people of present and  
8 future generations, the perpetual existence of all native plants and animals  
9 through the declaration of protected areas under the National Integrated  
10 Protected Areas System (NIPAS) within the classification of national park as  
11 provided for in the Constitution.

12       In recognition of the richness of the biological resources, both flora and

1 fauna, that are native and distinct to Mt. Pulag, as well as their aesthetic and  
2 ecological importance, a parcel of land located in the Municipalities of Kabayan,  
3 Bokod and Buguias[;] in the Province of Benguet[;]; Municipality of Tinoc[;] in the  
4 Province of Ifugao[;]; and Municipality of Kayapa[,] in the Province of Nueva  
5 Vizcaya, is hereby declared a protected area with the category of protected  
6 landscape, and shall hereinafter be referred to as the Mt. Pulag Protected  
7 Landscape (MPPL). As such, the State shall ensure the conservation, protection,  
8 management and rehabilitation of the area. It is likewise recognized that effective  
9 administration of this area is possible only through cooperation among national  
10 government, local government units (LGUs), concerned nongovernmental  
11 organizations (NGOs), private entities and local communities. The use and  
12 enjoyment of this area must be consistent with the principles of biological diversity  
13 and sustainable development.

14 Towards this end, the State shall ensure the full implementation of this Act,  
15 the mobilization of resources for the institutional mechanisms herein established,  
16 and the full scientific and technical support needed for the conservation of  
17 biodiversity and the integrity of the ecosystems, culture and indigenous practices.

18 **SEC. 3. *Definition of Terms.*** – As used in this Act:

- 19 a. *Buffer zones* refer to identified areas outside the boundaries of and  
20 immediately adjacent to designated protected areas that need special  
21 development control in order to avoid or minimize harm to the protected  
22 area;
- 23 b. *Conservation* refers to any act or acts of preservation and sustainable  
24 utilization of wildlife or maintenance, restoration and enhancement of  
25 habitats;
- 26 c. *Indigenous cultural communities (ICCs)/Indigenous peoples (IPs)* refer to  
27 groups of people sharing common bonds of language, customs, traditions,  
28 and other distinctive cultural traits, and who have, since time immemorial  
29 occupied, possessed and utilized a territory;
- 30 d. *National park* refers to land of the public domain classified as such in the  
31 Constitution which includes all areas under the NIPAS, primarily

1 designated for the conservation of native plants and animals, their  
2 associated habitats and cultural diversity;

3 e. *Protected area* refers to an identified portion of land and water set aside by  
4 reason of its unique physical and biological significance, managed to  
5 enhance biological diversity and protected against destructive human  
6 exploitation;

7 f. *Protected landscape* refers to an area [~~where the interaction of people and~~  
8 ~~nature over a period of time has produced an area of distinct character with~~  
9 ~~significant ecological, biological, cultural and scenic value and where the~~  
10 ~~safeguarding of the integrity of this interaction is vital to protecting and~~  
11 ~~sustaining the area and its associated nature conservation and other~~  
12 ~~values]~~ OF NATIONAL SIGNIFICANCE WHICH ARE CHARACTERIZED  
13 BY THE HARMONIOUS INTERACTION OF HUMAN AND LAND AND  
14 WATER WHILE PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PUBLIC  
15 ENJOYMENT THROUGH RECREATION, TOURISM, AND OTHER  
16 ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES; and

17 g. *Tenured migrants* refer to protected area occupants who have been actually,  
18 continuously and presently occupying a portion of the protected area for five  
19 (5) years before the proclamation or law establishing the same as a  
20 protected area, and are solely dependent therein for subsistence.

21 **SEC. 4. Classification as a National Park.** – The MPPL is comprised of  
22 a parcel of land of the public domain situated in the Municipalities of Kabayan,  
23 Bokod and Buguias[<sup>5</sup>] in the Province of Benguet[<sup>5</sup>]; Municipality of Tinoc[<sup>5</sup>] in the  
24 Province of Ifugao[<sup>5</sup>]; and Municipality of Kayapa[<sup>5</sup>] in the Province of Nueva  
25 Vizcaya. All lands of the public domain within the coverage and scope of the MPPL  
26 shall fall under the classification of national park as provided for in Article XII,  
27 Section 3 of the Constitution.

28 **SEC. 5. Scope and Coverage.** –The boundaries of the MPPL are more  
29 particularly described as the area beginning at a point marked “1” on [~~plan, which~~  
30 ~~is S 75° 34’ 16” E, 1,342.652 meters from BBM No. 07 with geographic coordinates~~  
31 ~~of 16° 36’ 28.09490491” Latitude and 120° 50’ 26.02534396” Longitude located at~~  
32 ~~Barangay Duacan, Municipality of Kabayan, Province of Benguet,~~

1       thence ——— N 26°02'04" E ——— 4,333.50 ——— meters to corner 2;  
2       thence ——— N 13°11'24" E ——— 3,330.69 ——— meters to corner 3;  
3       thence ——— N 26°21'52" W ——— 887.241 ——— meters to corner 4;  
4       thence ——— N 30°06'56" W ——— 3930.35 ——— meters to corner 5;  
5       thence ——— S 81°22'11" E ——— 113.284 ——— meters to corner 6;  
6       thence ——— S 22°49'03" E ——— 157.302 ——— meters to corner 7;  
7       thence ——— N 70°05'51" E ——— 185.055 ——— meters to corner 8;  
8       thence ——— S 68°56'36" E ——— 200.383 ——— meters to corner 9;  
9       thence ——— N 77°29'44" E ——— 263.248 ——— meters to corner 10;  
10      thence ——— N 82°59'16" E ——— 1900.24 ——— meters to corner 11;  
11      thence ——— S 69°55'33" E ——— 1,911.13 ——— meters to corner 12;  
12      thence ——— S 46°37'44" E ——— 2,839.42 ——— meters to corner 13;  
13      thence ——— S 20°49'59" E ——— 2,238.22 ——— meters to corner 14;  
14      thence ——— S 19°51'23" E ——— 76.547 ——— meters to corner 15;  
15      thence ——— S 66°15'07" E ——— 54.626 ——— meters to corner 16;  
16      thence ——— S 26°45'32" E ——— 133.265 ——— meters to corner 17;  
17      thence ——— S 13°23'36" W ——— 43.172 ——— meters to corner 18;  
18      thence ——— S 36°15'21" E ——— 446.412 ——— meters to corner 19;  
19      thence ——— S 78°59'50" E ——— 36.675 ——— meters to corner 20;  
20      thence ——— S 12°44'46" E ——— 86.118 ——— meters to corner 21;  
21      thence ——— S 40°32'05" E ——— 90.783 ——— meters to corner 22;  
22      thence ——— S 57°05'48" E ——— 40.497 ——— meters to corner 23;  
23      thence ——— S 10°50'28" E ——— 47.851 ——— meters to corner 24;  
24      thence ——— S 73°41'34" E ——— 238.602 ——— meters to corner 25;  
25      thence ——— S 10°05'54" E ——— 74.145 ——— meters to corner 26;  
26      thence ——— N 85°05'35" E ——— 198.731 ——— meters to corner 27;  
27      thence ——— S 71°33'58" E ——— 75.895 ——— meters to corner 28;  
28      thence ——— N 24°35'30" E ——— 64.882 ——— meters to corner 29;  
29      thence ——— S 83°57'23" E ——— 170.953 ——— meters to corner 30;  
30      thence ——— N 43°19'02" E ——— 144.309 ——— meters to corner 31;  
31      thence ——— N 75°04'11" E ——— 124.195 ——— meters to corner 32;  
32      thence ——— S 21°35'48" E ——— 154.864 ——— meters to corner 33;

1       thence — S 46°41'12" E — 48.103 — meters to corner 34;  
2       thence — S 68°39'20" E — 93.408 — meters to corner 35;  
3       thence — S 07°28'20" E — 61.519 — meters to corner 36;  
4       thence — S 36°06'41" W — 256.214 — meters to corner 37;  
5       thence — S 09°27'47" W — 109.484 — meters to corner 38;  
6       thence — N 85°56'27" W — 155.392 — meters to corner 39;  
7       thence — S 38°07'02" W — 230.048 — meters to corner 40;  
8       thence — S 35°52'04" E — 182.622 — meters to corner 41;  
9       thence — S 61°20'59" W — 110.535 — meters to corner 42;  
10      thence — S 03°22'00" E — 170.285 — meters to corner 43;  
11      thence — S 17°31'03" E — 2,209.35 — meters to corner 44;  
12      thence — S 19°04'31" W — 4,394.05 — meters to corner 45;  
13      thence — N 69°07'20" E — 103.818 — meters to corner 46;  
14      thence — N 41°51'42" E — 567.938 — meters to corner 47;  
15      thence — S 75°35'56" E — 270.378 — meters to corner 48;  
16      thence — N 58°13'08" E — 262.478 — meters to corner 49;  
17      thence — S 62°51'17" E — 440.528 — meters to corner 50;  
18      thence — S 75°07'10" E — 147.964 — meters to corner 51;  
19      thence — N 84°19'48" E — 141.695 — meters to corner 52;  
20      thence — S 26°57'38" E — 130.137 — meters to corner 53;  
21      thence — S 32°42'43" W — 3697.21 — meters to corner 54;  
22      thence — S 03°41'00" W — 2,241.51 — meters to corner 55;  
23      thence — S 42°19'10" W — 528.775 — meters to corner 56;  
24      thence — S 20°14'15" E — 251.514 — meters to corner 57;  
25      thence — N 80°42'25" W — 4018.8 — meters to corner 58;  
26      thence — N 36°22'57" W — 1,589.96 — meters to corner 59;  
27      thence — N 36°03'09" W — 909.065 — meters to corner 60;  
28      thence — N 36°52'15" W — 1,334.81 — meters to corner 61;  
29      thence — N 15°03'51" E — 2381.72 — meters to corner 62;  
30      thence — N 18°28'8" W — 1,104.85 — meters to corner 63;  
31      thence — N 83°38'31" W — 1,390.57 — meters to corner 1,  
32      and comprises eleven thousand five hundred eighty and  $\frac{35}{100}$  (11,580.35)

1 hectares, more or less.

2 ~~A PARCEL OF LAND SITUATED IN BARANGAY POBLACION,~~  
3 ~~MUNICIPALITY OF KABAYAN, PROVINCE OF BENGUET. BEGINNING AT A~~  
4 ~~POINT MARKED "1" ON] THE MAP, BEING S32°35'51"E, 2808.19 METERS~~  
5 FROM PRS92 CONTROL MONUMENT "BGT-3104" WITH GEOGRAPHIC  
6 COORDINATES 16°37'39.660" LATITUDE, 120°50'12.213" LONGITUDE  
7 LOCATED IN BARANGAY POBLACION, MUNICIPALITY OF KABAYAN,  
8 PROVINCE OF BENGUET,

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10	THENCE	N26°14'30"E	4375.24	METERS TO CORNER	2 ;
11	THENCE	N17°07'31"E	3343.51	METERS TO CORNER	3 ;
12	THENCE	N30°50'10"W	4821.08	METERS TO CORNER	4 ;
13	THENCE	S81°22'09"E	113.28	METERS TO CORNER	5 ;
14	THENCE	S22°48'57"E	157.31	METERS TO CORNER	6 ;
15	THENCE	N70°05'47"E	185.06	METERS TO CORNER	7 ;
16	THENCE	S68°56'31"E	200.38	METERS TO CORNER	8 ;
17	THENCE	N77°29'40"E	263.24	METERS TO CORNER	9 ;
18	THENCE	N83°00'00"E	1900.01	METERS TO CORNER	10 ;
19	THENCE	S72°07'30"E	2109.29	METERS TO CORNER	11 ;
20	THENCE	S43°23'59"E	2695.00	METERS TO CORNER	12 ;
21	THENCE	S20°48'18"E	2314.74	METERS TO CORNER	13 ;
22	THENCE	S34°00'26"E	931.62	METERS TO CORNER	14 ;
23	THENCE	S73°37'03"E	238.40	METERS TO CORNER	15 ;
24	THENCE	S10°21'39"E	73.29	METERS TO CORNER	16 ;
25	THENCE	S88°29'36"E	270.05	METERS TO CORNER	17 ;
26	THENCE	N24°39'16"E	63.98	METERS TO CORNER	18 ;
27	THENCE	S84°08'27"E	170.84	METERS TO CORNER	19 ;
28	THENCE	N57°59'50"E	258.57	METERS TO CORNER	20 ;
29	THENCE	S21°28'43"E	154.61	METERS TO CORNER	21 ;
30	THENCE	S61°10'42"E	139.71	METERS TO CORNER	22 ;
31	THENCE	S10°40'45"W	129.38	METERS TO CORNER	23 ;

1	THENCE	S28°46'18"W	284.21	METERS TO CORNER	24 ;
2	THENCE	N85°47'03"W	155.62	METERS TO CORNER	25 ;
3	THENCE	S38°04'39"W	229.39	METERS TO CORNER	26 ;
4	THENCE	S35°33'33"E	182.40	METERS TO CORNER	27 ;
5	THENCE	S61°03'18"W	110.38	METERS TO CORNER	28 ;
6	THENCE	S03°21'25"E	170.09	METERS TO CORNER	29 ;
7	THENCE	S17°30'59"E	2209.46	METERS TO CORNER	30 ;
8	THENCE	S21°33'03"W	4382.88	METERS TO CORNER	31 ;
9	THENCE	N73°32'13"E	168.99	METERS TO CORNER	32 ;
10	THENCE	N37°04'02"E	553.09	METERS TO CORNER	33 ;
11	THENCE	S71°28'45"E	334.84	METERS TO CORNER	34 ;
12	THENCE	N33°48'29"E	213.98	METERS TO CORNER	35 ;
13	THENCE	S66°05'24"E	705.03	METERS TO CORNER	36 ;
14	THENCE	N56°39'33"E	144.42	METERS TO CORNER	37 ;
15	THENCE	S04°59'37"W	164.14	METERS TO CORNER	38 ;
16	THENCE	S31°48'10"W	3731.06	METERS TO CORNER	39 ;
17	THENCE	S03°43'02"W	2182.30	METERS TO CORNER	40 ;
18	THENCE	S42°32'04"W	506.25	METERS TO CORNER	41 ;
19	THENCE	S09°50'12"E	362.41	METERS TO CORNER	42 ;
20	THENCE	N79°27'01"W	4013.66	METERS TO CORNER	43 ;
21	THENCE	N35°49'14"W	3820.54	METERS TO CORNER	44 ;
22	THENCE	N14°56'09"E	2401.82	METERS TO CORNER	45 ;
23	THENCE	N82°29'16"W	182.14	METERS TO CORNER	46 ;
24	THENCE	N00°48'05"E	378.39	METERS TO CORNER	47 ;
25	THENCE	N42°32'45"W	262.17	METERS TO CORNER	48 ;
26	THENCE	N03°15'15"W	396.19	METERS TO CORNER	49 ;
27	THENCE	N55°30'29"W	235.95	METERS TO CORNER	50 ;
28	THENCE	S36°50'04"W	213.39	METERS TO CORNER	51 ;
29	THENCE	N66°43'04"W	142.58	METERS TO CORNER	52 ;
30	THENCE	N02°10'54"W	166.81	METERS TO CORNER	53 ;
31	THENCE	N53°40'08"W	253.22	METERS TO CORNER	54 ;





- 1 District Representatives decline the membership in the PAMB;
- 2 [e] F. Mayors of the Municipalities of Kabayan, Bokod and Buguias[;] in the  
3 Province of Benguet[;]; Municipality of Tinoc[;] in the Province of  
4 Ifugao[;]; and Municipality of Kayapa[;] in the Province of Nueva  
5 Vizcaya, or their duly authorized representatives;
- 6 [f] G. Chairpersons of the all the *barangays* with territorial jurisdiction over  
7 the MPPL;
- 8 [g] H. Regional Directors of the following government agencies, namely: the  
9 Department of Agriculture (DA), the National Economic and  
10 Development Authority (NEDA), the Department of Science and  
11 Technology (DOST), the Philippine National Police (PNP), [~~and~~] the  
12 Department of National Defense (DND), AND THE DEPARTMENT OF  
13 TOURISM (DOT);
- 14 [h] I. Three (3) representatives from either NGOs or people's organizations  
15 based in the Province of Benguet, Ifugao or Nueva Vizcaya, duly  
16 accredited both by the DENR and the provincial government. The  
17 NGOS or POS represented should have been in existence for at least five  
18 (5) years and [~~must have a record of accomplishments in the field of~~]  
19 **WITH TRACK RECORD IN OR RELATED TO** protected area  
20 management;
- 21 [i] J. At least one (1) but not more than three (3) representatives from all  
22 the ICCS/ IPS present in the area and recognized by the National  
23 Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP);
- 24 [j] K. One (1) representative from an academic institution, preferably from  
25 a university or college in the Province of Benguet, Ifugao, or Nueva  
26 Vizcaya, with [~~a record of accomplishments~~] **PROVEN TRACK**  
27 **RECORD** in or related to protected area management; and
- 28 [k] L. One (1) representative from the private sector, preferably a resident  
29 of the Province of Benguet, Ifugao, or Nueva Vizcaya, who is  
30 distinguished in a profession or field of interest relevant to the protected  
31 area management.

1 The terms of office of members of the PAMB, as well as the grounds for  
2 their removal shall be in accordance with the provisions of Republic Act No. 7586,  
3 otherwise known as the “National Integrated Protected Areas System Act of 1992”  
4 as amended by Republic Act No. 11038, otherwise known as the “Expanded  
5 National Integrated Protected Areas System Act of 2018”.

6 **SEC. 8. POWERS AND Functions of the PAMB.** – The PAMB shall have  
7 the following powers and functions:

- 8 a. Oversee the management of the [~~protected area~~] MPPL;
- 9 b. Approve policies, plans and programs, proposals, agreements, and other  
10 related documents for the management of the [~~protected areas~~] MPPL;
- 11 c. Approve the management plan of the [~~protected area~~] MPPL and ensure  
12 its harmonization with and integration into the Ancestral Domain  
13 Sustainable Development and Protection Plan, land use plan and other  
14 development plans, public or private, and their implementation;
- 15 d. Adopt a manual of operations to include rules of procedures in the  
16 conduct of business, and the creation of committees and their respective  
17 terms of reference;
- 18 e. Recommend the deputation of appropriate agencies and individuals for  
19 the enforcement of the laws, rules and regulations governing the  
20 management of the [~~protected area~~] MPPL;
- 21 f. Allocate financial resources for the implementation of the management  
22 plan and manage the Protected Area Retention Income Account and  
23 other funds in accordance with government accounting, budgeting, and  
24 auditing rules and regulations;
- 25 g. Set fees and charges in accordance with existing guidelines;
- 26 h. Issue rules and regulations for the resolution of conflicts through  
27 appropriate and effective means;
- 28 i. Recommend appropriate policy changes to the DENR and other  
29 government authorities with respect to the management of the MPPL;
- 30 j. Monitor and assess the performance of the Protected Area  
31 Superintendent (PASu) and other protected area personnel and  
32 compliance of partners with the terms and conditions of any

1           undertaking, contract or agreement relative to any project or activity  
2           within the MPPL;

3           k. Recommend from among a shortlist of qualified candidates, the  
4           designation or appointment of the PASu; and

5           l. Assess the effectiveness of the management of the [~~protected area~~]  
6           MPPL: *Provided*, That the members of the PAMB representing the  
7           LGUs and national agencies shall inform their respective constituents,  
8           offices or sectors, of PAMB-approved or other relevant policies, rules,  
9           regulations, programs, and projects and shall ensure that the provisions  
10          of this Act and the rules and regulations issued to implement it are  
11          complied with and used as reference and framework in their respective  
12          plans, policies, programs, and projects. Failure to comply with the  
13          foregoing shall be the basis for disciplinary action against such member  
14          according to administrative rules and regulations and such penalties as  
15          the PAMB may provide: *Provided, further*, That the DENR, through the  
16          Regional Director, shall ensure that the PAMB acts within the scope of  
17          its powers and functions. In case of conflict between the resolutions  
18          issued by the PAMB and the existing administrative orders of national  
19          application, the latter shall prevail.

20          **SEC. 9. *The Protected Area Management Office (PAMO)*.** — There is  
21          hereby established a Protected Area Management Office (PAMO) to be headed by  
22          a Protected Area Superintendent (PASu) who shall supervise the day to day  
23          management, protection, and administration of the MPPL. The PASu shall hold  
24          a permanent plantilla position and shall be appointed by the DENR Secretary. A  
25          sufficient number of support staff with permanent plantilla positions shall  
26          likewise be appointed by the DENR Secretary to assist the PASu in the  
27          management of the [~~protected area~~] MPPL.

28          The PASu shall be primarily accountable to the PAMB and the DENR for  
29          the management and operations of the MPPL. Pursuant thereto, the PASu shall  
30          have the following duties and responsibilities:

- 1 a. Prepare the management plan, in consultation with the stakeholders,  
2 including the annual work and financial plan and ensure its  
3 implementation;
- 4 b. Ensure the integration of the [~~protected area~~] MPPL management plans,  
5 programs, projects, and policies with relevant national and LGUs' plans  
6 and programs;
- 7 c. Provide secretariat services to the PAMB and its committees and ensure  
8 the availability of relevant and timely information for decision-making;
- 9 d. Formulate and recommend to the PAMB proposed policies, rules,  
10 regulations, and programs;
- 11 e. Establish, operate, and maintain a database management system which  
12 shall be an important basis for decision-making;
- 13 f. Enforce the laws, rules and regulations relevant to the [~~protected area~~]  
14 MPPL, commence and institute administrative and legal actions in  
15 collaboration with other government agencies or organizations, and assist  
16 in the prosecution of offenses committed in violation of the provisions of  
17 this Act;
- 18 g. Monitor, evaluate, and report the implementation of management  
19 activities of the [~~protected area~~] MPPL;
- 20 h. Request for and receive any technical assistance, support or advice from  
21 any agency or instrumentality of the government as well as academic  
22 institutions, NGOs, and the private sector, as may be necessary for the  
23 effective management, protection and administration of the [~~protected~~  
24 ~~area~~] MPPL;
- 25 i. Issue permits and clearances for activities that implement the  
26 management plan and other permitted activities in accordance with  
27 terms, conditions, and criteria established by the PAMB: *Provided*, That  
28 all permits for extraction of natural resources, including collection of  
29 wildlife, and its by-products or derivatives for research purposes, shall  
30 continue to be issued by relevant authorities, subject to prior clearance  
31 from the PAMB, through the PASu, in accordance with the specific acts  
32 to be covered;

- 1 j. Collect and receive pertinent fees, charges, donations, and other income  
2 for the [~~protected area~~] MPPL: *Provided*, That such fees, charges,  
3 donations, and other income collected and received shall be reported  
4 regularly to the PAMB and the DENR in accordance with existing  
5 guidelines;
- 6 k. Prepare and recommend to the PAMB, approval of the annual work and  
7 financial plans of the [~~protected area~~] MPPL based on the management  
8 plan; and
- 9 l. Perform such other functions as the PAMB and the DENR may assign.

10 The PAMO may be augmented by the deputized local environment and  
11 natural resources officers upon the recommendation of the PAMB and approval of  
12 the DENR.

### 13 ARTICLE III

#### 14 PROCEEDS AND FEES

15 **SEC. 10. *The Mt. Pulag Protected Landscape INTEGRATED***  
16 ***PROTECTED AREA Fund.*** – There is hereby established a trust fund to be known  
17 as the Mt. Pulag Protected Landscape INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREA Fund  
18 (MPPL-IPAF) for purposes of financing projects of the MPPL and the NIPAS. All  
19 income generated from the operation and management of wild flora and fauna in  
20 the MPPL shall accrue to the [~~fund~~] MPPL-IPAF. The income shall be derived from  
21 fees from permitted sale and export of flora and fauna and other resources from  
22 the MPPL, proceeds from lease of multiple-use areas, contributions from  
23 industries and facilities directly benefiting from the MPPL, and such other fees  
24 and income derived from the operation of the MPPL.

25 The PAMB shall retain seventy-five percent (75%) of all revenues raised  
26 through the above means, which shall be deposited in the Protected Area-Retained  
27 Income Account (PA-RIA) in any authorized government depository bank within  
28 the locality: *Provided*, That disbursements out of such deposits shall be used solely  
29 for the protection, maintenance, administration, and management of the  
30 [~~protected area~~] MPPL and implementation of duly approved projects of the  
31 PAMB. The remaining twenty-five percent (25%) of revenues shall be deposited as  
32 a special account in the general fund in the National Treasury for purposes of

1 financing the programs and projects of the NIPAS.

2 The fund may be augmented by grants, donations, AND endowment from  
3 various sources, domestic or foreign: *Provided*, That the fund shall be deposited in  
4 full as a special account in the National Treasury and disbursements therefrom  
5 shall be made solely for the protection, maintenance, administration and  
6 management of the NIPAS and duly approved projects endorsed by the PAMB in  
7 accordance with existing accounting, budgeting, and auditing rules and  
8 regulations: *Provided, further*, That the fund shall not be used to cover personal  
9 services expenditures.

10 The LGUs shall continue to impose and collect all other fees not enumerated  
11 herein which they have traditionally collected, such as business permits, property  
12 tax and rentals of LGUs' facilities.

#### 13 **ARTICLE IV**

#### 14 **TRANSITORY AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS**

15 **SEC. 11. Appropriations.** – The Secretary of the DENR shall immediately  
16 include in the Department's program the implementation of this Act, the funding  
17 of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

18 **SEC. 12. Suppletory Application of the NIPAS Law.** – The provisions  
19 of Republic Act No. 7586, as amended by Republic Act No. 11038, shall have  
20 suppletory application to this Act.

21 **SEC. 13. Implementing Rules and Regulations.** – Within ninety (90)  
22 days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of the DENR shall, in  
23 consultation with the local governments of the Municipalities of Kabayan, Bokod  
24 and Buguias[;] in the Province of Benguet[;]; the Municipality of Tinoc[;] in the  
25 Province of Ifugao[;]; and Municipality of Kayapa[;] in the Province of Nueva  
26 Vizcaya, the provincial governments of Benguet, Ifugao and Nueva Vizcaya, and  
27 concerned national government agencies, issue the corresponding rules and  
28 regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

29 **SEC. 14. Separability Clause.** – If any section or provision of this Act is  
30 held unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining sections or provisions [~~with the~~  
31 ~~provisions~~] not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

32 **SEC. 15. Repealing Clause.** – All laws, decrees, letters of instruction,

1 executive orders, rules and regulations and other issuances or parts thereof  
2 inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

3           **SEC. 16. *Effectivity.*** – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its  
4 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

5           Approved,