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**AN ACT
DECLARING MOUNT 387 OR MOUNT BATONG-AMAT LOCATED IN THE
MUNICIPALITY OF CARRANGLAN, PROVINCE OF NUEVA ECIJA, AN
ECOTOURISM DESTINATION**

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

- 1 **SECTION 1.** Mount 387 or Mount Batong-Amat located in the Municipality of
2 Carranglan, Province of Nueva Ecija, is hereby declared an ecotourism destination. Pursuant
3 thereto, its development shall be prioritized and supported by the Department of Tourism

4 (DOT), subject to the rules and regulations governing the development of ecotourism
5 destinations.

6 **SEC. 2.** Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the municipal government of
7 Carranglan shall, in coordination with the DOT, Department of Environment and Natural
8 Resources, Department of Public Works and Highways and concerned agencies of the
9 government, prepare a tourism development plan that shall include the construction,
10 installation and maintenance of such appropriate infrastructure and facilities that shall enhance
11 tourism in the area, thereby ensuring its accessibility and the security of tourists: *Provided,*
12 That said development plan shall ensure the preservation and conservation of the natural beauty
13 and historical significance of the area: *Provided, further,* That the implementation of the tourism
14 development plan shall be included in the budget of the municipal government of Carranglan.

15 **SEC. 3.** The DOT shall assist the municipal government of Carranglan in the
16 implementation of the tourism development plan by providing technical assistance in tourism
17 capacity building. It shall also include Mount 387 in its national and regional promotion
18 programs.

19 **SEC. 4.** The funding for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual
20 budget of the municipal government of Carranglan. The DOT may augment such allocation
21 with internally-generated funds.

22 **SEC. 5.** Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the municipal
23 government of Carranglan shall, in consultation with the DOT and concerned agencies of the
24 government, promulgate rules and regulations to implement this Act.

25 **SEC. 6.** This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the *Official*
26 *Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,