## **HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

## H. No. 6307

By Representatives Silverio, Madrona, Chatto, Angara, Alvarez (J.), Luistro, Rillo, Chan, Agarao, Almario, Aumentado, Matugas, Singson (R.), Emano, Garcia (M.A.), Sali, Horibata, Zamora (M.C.), Delos Santos, Abunda, Lagon (D.), Maniquiz, Ouano-Dizon, Tutor, Go (E.C.), Buhain, Cagas, Tupas, Go (M.), Gorriceta, Dalog, Yu (J.V.), Cruz (R.), Gato, Limkaichong, Escudero, Cari, Yu (D.G.), Salvame, Sacdalan, Kho (R.), Legarda, Gullas, Miguel, Alonte, Pleyto, Gutierrez, Magsino, Padiernos, Gonzales (A.), Frasco, Herrera, Albano, Bascug, Cabredo, Chungalao, Collantes, Cuaresma, Kho (O.), Loyola, Mariano-Hernandez, Nava, Olivarez, Plaza, Rodriguez (R.), Suansing (M.A.) and Tambunting, per Committee Report No. 178

## AN ACT DECLARING THE MUNICIPALITY OF DOÑA REMEDIOS TRINIDAD, PROVINCE OF BULACAN, AN ECOTOURISM ZONE

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

- SECTION I. The Municipality of Doña Remedios Trinidad, Province of Bulacan,
- 2 endowed with scenic landscapes and natural attractions, is hereby declared an ecotourism
- 3 zone. Pursuant thereto, its development shall be prioritized and supported by the Department
- 4 of Tourism (DOT), subject to the rules and regulations governing the development of
- 5 ecotourism zones.

1 Sec. 2. Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the municipal government of Doña Remedios Trinidad shall, in coordination with the DOT, Department of Environment 2 3 and Natural Resources (DENR) and concerned agencies of the government, prepare a tourism development plan that shall include the construction, installation and maintenance of such 4 appropriate infrastructure and facilities to enhance tourism in the area: Provided, That said 5 development plan shall ensure the preservation and conservation of the natural beauty and 6 resources of the area: Provided, further, That the implementation of the tourism development 7 plan shall be included in the budget of the municipal government of Doña Remedios Trinidad.

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- Sec. 3. The DOT shall assist the municipal government of Doña Remedios Trinidad in the implementation of the tourism development plan by providing technical assistance in tourism capacity building. It shall also include the Municipality of Doña Remedios Trinidad in its national and regional promotion programs.
- Sec. 4. The funding for the implementation of this Act shall be included in the annual budget of the municipal government of Doña Remedios Trinidad. The DOT may augment such allocation with internally-generated funds.
- Sec. 5. Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the municipal government of Doña Remedios Trinidad shall, in consultation with the DOT, DENR and concerned agencies of the government, promulgate rules and regulations to implement this Act.
- Sec. 6. If any provision of this Act shall be declared unconstitutional or invalid, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.
- Sec. 7. All laws, rules, regulations, presidential decrees and other issuances 23 inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Act are hereby deemed repealed or amended 24 accordingly. 25

- Sec. 8. This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official
- 2 Gazette or in a newspaper of general circulation.

Approved,