



'18 MAR 19 P2 :49

SENATE
P. S. Res No. 689

RECEIVED BY: _____

Introduced by Senator Maria Lourdes Nancy S. Binay

RESOLUTION

DIRECTING THE PROPER SENATE COMMITTEES TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, THE NEED TO CREATE AN INVENTORY OF ISLAND DESTINATIONS TO AID IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE TOURISM DEVELOPMENT MASTER PLAN

1 WHEREAS, the Department of Tourism (DOT) is mandated as the primary,
2 planning, programming, coordination, implementing and regulatory government
3 agency in the development and promotion of the tourism industry, both domestic
4 and international, in coordination with the attached agencies and other government
5 instrumentalities;

6 WHEREAS, the Philippines is home to many natural attractions that features
7 pristine seawaters, unspoiled beaches, wild rivers and waterfalls including, but not
8 limited to, the Puerto Princesa Subterranean River National Park in Palawan, Panglao
9 Island in Bohol, and Siargao Island in Surigao del Norte;

10 WHEREAS, Department of Tourism Secretary Wanda Teo is promoting
11 Philippine tourism through its many campaigns such as Go South Philippine Island,
12 Cine Turismo, and the "Bring Home A Friend" Program;

13 WHEREAS, the inventory of island destinations aims to aid in the formulation
14 and updating of the tourism development master plan, together with its component
15 programs;

16 WHEREAS, the inventory of island destinations will effectively utilize people
17 and equipment, coordinate internal activities, and help aid communication with local

18 government units (LGUs) and other agencies of the national government in order to
19 provide information for implementing rapid and efficient policies;

20 WHEREAS, the inventory of island destinations aims to perform the following,
21 but not limited to, the establishment and effective implementation of the tourism
22 development master plan, assisting LGUs, monitoring the situation of island
23 destinations, providing for the particular needs of island destinations, assisting in the
24 implementation of Sewage Treatment Plans (STP), and providing guidelines for
25 waste segregation and management;

26 WHEREAS, the inventory of island destinations is essential in promoting and
27 enhancing tourism in the country while preserving the natural features of these
28 destinations;

29 BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, to direct the proper Senate
30 Committees to conduct an inquiry, the need to create an inventory of island
31 destinations to aid in the implementation of the tourism development master plan.

Adopted,


MARIA LOURDES NANCY S. BINAY
Senator