

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 8199

BY REPRESENTATIVES TALLADO, ARAGONES, BASCUG, UY (J.), VIOLAGO, GATO, CABREDO, CELESTE,
SAULOG AND ALONTE, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 653

AN ACT

DECLARING THE IMMEDIATE ENVIRONS OF THE PARROQUIA DE NUESTRA SEÑORA DE CANDELARIA LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PARACALE, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES NORTE, A TOURIST DESTINATION, PROVIDING FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR

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

1 **SECTION 1.** The immediate environs of the Parroquia de Nuestra Señora de Candelaria
2 located in the Municipality of Paracale, Province of Camarines Norte, is hereby declared a
3 tourist destination. As such, its development shall be prioritized by the Department of Tourism
4 (DOT), in coordination with the municipal government of Paracale and other concerned
5 agencies, subject to the rules and regulations governing the development of tourist destinations.

6 **Sec. 2.** Within one (1) year after the approval of this Act, the DOT, in coordination with
7 the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) and other concerned agencies of the
8 government, shall prepare a tourism development plan including the construction, installation
9 and maintenance of such appropriate facilities and infrastructure that shall improve the overall
10 features of the environs surrounding Parroquia de Nuestra Señora de Candelaria, thereby

1 ensuring its accessibility and the security of tourists: *Provided*, That the development plan shall
2 ensure the preservation and conservation of the tourism significance of the area.

3 **Sec. 3.** The DOT and its concerned attached agencies shall take immediate steps to
4 implement the tourism development plan for the immediate environs of the Parroquia de Nuestra
5 Señora de Candelaria and shall incorporate the same in its tourism development program for the
6 ensuing calendar year.

7 **Sec. 4.** The Secretaries of the DOT and DPWH shall include in their respective
8 Department's program the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be included in
9 the annual General Appropriations Act and shall augment such allocation with internally
10 generated funds of the DOT.

11 **Sec. 5.** Within sixty (60) days from the effectivity of this Act, the DOT, in consultation
12 with the municipal government of Paracale, shall promulgate the necessary rules and regulations
13 for the proper implementation of this Act.

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

16 Approved,