



Office of the Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 82nd REGULAR SESSION OF THE 11th SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN OF ISABELA HELD AT PROVINCIAL CAPITOL, ILAGAN CITY, ISABELA ON APRIL 16, 2024.

PRESENT:

FAUSTINO G. DY III	Vice-Governor & Presiding Officer
DELFINITO EMMANUEL L. ALBANO	Member (1st District) & Floor Leader
EMMANUEL JOSELITO B. AÑES	Member (1st District)
ED CHRISTIAN S. GO	Member (2nd District)
EDGAR R. CAPUCHINO	Member (2nd District)
MARY GRACE D. ARREOLA	Member (3rd District)
RAMON JUAN N. REYES, JR.	Member (3rd District)
CLIFFORD R. RASPADO	Member (4th District)
VICTOR G. DY	Member (4th District)
MANUEL FAUSTINO U. DY	Member (5th District)
EDWARD S. ISIDRO	Member (5th District)
MARCO PAOLO A. MERIS	Member (6th District)
AMADOR A. GAFFUD, JR.	Member (6th District)
ANTONIO S. HUI	Member, PCL Federation President
MARIA KATRINA JESSICA G. DY	Member, LnB Federation President
CATHERINE JOY L. LEGASPI	Member, SK Federation President
ADRIAN PHILIP S. BAYSAC	Member, Agricultural Workers Sector Representative
LOURDES S. PANGANIBAN	Member, Women's Sectoral Representative
MARGARETTE U. CHIN	Member, Indigenous Cultural Communities Sector Representative
EVYN JAY C. DIAZ	Member, Labor Sector Representative

RESOLUTION NO. 2024-14-06

Series of 2024

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE PROVINCE OF ISABELA UNDER A STATE OF CALAMITY DUE TO WIDESPREAD DAMAGE AND SIGNIFICANT ECONOMIC LOSSES IN THE LOCAL AGRICULTURE SECTOR CAUSED BY THE EL NIÑO PHENOMENON

Sponsor: HON. ADRIAN PHILIP S. BAYSAC
 Chairperson, Committee on Agriculture

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to uphold the people's constitutional rights to life and property and to strengthen the country's institutional capacity for disaster risk reduction and management;

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government of Isabela is fully committed to protecting its people from the impacts of disasters, calamities, and other events that pose danger to their lives and properties. Therefore, it adopts and implements a disaster risk reduction and management approach aimed at building the resilience of communities to disasters and providing timely and responsive services to the people;

Nagkaisa para sa Isabela



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WHEREAS, the economy of the province of Isabela heavily relies on agricultural production, with the agricultural sector playing a crucial role in sustaining livelihoods and driving economic growth within the province;

WHEREAS, on July 2023, the World Meteorological Organization (WMO) declared the onset of the El Niño phenomenon. Since then, the WMO observed incremental changes in the global temperature, with new highs being recorded each passing month;

WHEREAS, the effects of the El Niño phenomenon were strongly felt in the province of Isabela. Based on the Dry Condition/Dry Spell/Drought Assessment of the Philippine Atmospheric, Geophysical, and Astronomical Services Administration (PAG-ASA) covering the period of November 2023 to 31 March 2024, as reflected in PAG-ASA Issuance No. 2024-04-03, the province of Isabela experienced drought or as having 3-consecutive months of way below normal rainfall condition (>60% reduction from average rainfall);

WHEREAS, according to a Status Report from the Office of the Provincial Agriculturist, with data gathered from January 2024 to 08 April 2024, the impact of this prolonged drought resulted to damages and economic losses in Isabela's agriculture sector amounting to Php1,487,405,308.23;

WHEREAS, as provided in this Status Report, loss of value for rice totalled Php635,009,392.81; Php629,281,316.42 for corn; Php215,441,890.00 for high value crops, and; Php7,672,709.00 for fishery;

WHEREAS, PAG-ASA Issuance No. 2024-04-03 also forecasts that the province of Isabela will continue to experience prolonged drought from April 2024 to September 2024;

WHEREAS, the Office of the Governor sent a letter to this August Body requesting that the province of Isabela be placed under a State of Calamity, which is now presented to this August Body for its review and approval;

WHEREAS, considering the significant extent of damage and losses to the local agriculture sector and the intensifying temperatures for the coming months based on the cited PAG-ASA issuance, this August Body affirms that the province of Isabela is experiencing a calamitous stage and must be placed under a State of Calamity;

WHEREAS, in view of the aforementioned circumstances, this August Body hereby declares the province of Isabela to be under a State of Calamity and urges the prompt mobilization of government resources to ensure the timely provision of all appropriate and necessary assistance to those adversely affected by the El Niño phenomenon;

WHEREFORE, upon motion of the Honorable Adrian Philip S. Baysac, duly approved and seconded in a session duly assembled, it was –

RESOLVED, AS IT HEREBY RESOLVES, TO PASS A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE PROVINCE OF ISABELA UNDER A STATE OF CALAMITY DUE TO WIDESPREAD DAMAGE AND SIGNIFICANT ECONOMIC LOSSES IN THE LOCAL AGRICULTURE SECTOR CAUSED BY THE EL NIÑO PHENOMENON.

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RESOLVED FINALLY, that a copy of this resolution be furnished to the Governor and Chairman of the PDRRM Council, the Honorable Rodolfo T. Albano III; the Provincial Agriculturist, Mme. Marites A. Frogoso; the Provincial Social Welfare and Development Officer, Mme. Lucila M. Ambatali, and; the Provincial Information Officer, Atty. Elizabeth C. Binag, for their information and guidance.

Approved and Adopted, April 16, 2024.

**I HEREBY CERTIFY TO THE CORRECTNESS
of the foregoing Resolution:**


ATTY. FRANCIS JAMES E. MEER
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

ATTESTED/ APPROVED:


FAUSTINO G. DY III
Vice Governor