

# Republic of the Philippines Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao

## **BANGSAMORO TRANSITION AUTHORITY**

Cotabato City

#### FIRST REGULAR SESSION

### PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 149

RESOLUTION CALLING THE BANGSAMORO GOVERNMENT TO CREATE A BANGSAMORO PEACE TASK FORCE IN CHARGE TO RESOLVE ALL ARMED CONFLICTS WITHIN THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO (BARMM).

**WHEREAS,** Section 5, Article II of the 1987 Constitution provides that the maintenance of peace and order, protection of life, liberty, and property, and promotion of general welfare are essential for the enjoyment by all the people of the blessings of democracy;

**WHEREAS,** Section 9, Article II of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State shall promote a just and dynamic social order that will ensure the prosperity and independence of the nation and free the people from poverty through policies that provide adequate social services, promote full employment, a rising standard of living, and an improved quality of life for all;

WHEREAS, RA No. 11054 otherwise known as "Organic Law for the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (OLBARMM)" provides that the Bangsamoro government shall exercise its express and implied powers, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance and promotion of general welfare. Within its territorial jurisdiction, the Bangsamoro government shall promote health and safety, maintain peace and order, and preserve the comfort and convenience of its inhabitants;

**WHEREAS,** the OLBARMM further provides that the Bangsamoro government shall ensure that social justice be promoted in all aspects of life and phases of development in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region.

**WHEREAS,** the Bangsamoro government is highly condemning the existence of all insurgencies, terrorism and extremism within its territory, including all internal armed conflicts of its inhabitants;

**WHEREAS,** all of these armed conflicts within the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region hamper the progress, peace and development and adversely affect the right to social justice and general welfare of the people;

**WHEREAS,** the Bangsamoro government need to focus its governmental policy in achieving inclusive and sustainable peace and order by recognizing that insurgencies, internal disturbances and tensions, and other armed conflicts and threats are not only military and security concerns, but also an aftermath of a broader social, economic and historical problems such as poverty, historical injustice, social inequality, lack of inclusivity, etc.;

**WHEREAS,** there is an urgent need for the Bangsamoro Government to create a Bangsamoro Peace Task Force that will peacefully resolve the local armed conflicts within the BangsamoroAutonomous Region and aid in the realization of the collective aspiration of the Bangsamoro people in attaining inclusive and sustainable peace;

**WHEREAS,** the primary responsibility of the Bangsamoro Peace Task Force is to harmonize and optimize government efforts and resources in addressing the root causes of insurgency and attaining sustainable peace and development within the BARMM;

**WHEREAS**, to ensure comprehensive implementation of peace-related efforts and initiatives of every local government units and various sectors of civil society within the BARMM, there is a need to create Bangsamoro Peace Task Force that will execute a mechanism for local peace engagements or negotiations and interventions that is consistent with the constitutional integrity and national sovereignty, responsive to local needs, and sensitive to realities on the ground;

### **NOW THEREFORE,** be it;

**RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED,** to call the Bangsamoro government to create a Bangsamoro Peace Task Force in charge to resolve all armed conflicts within the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM).

**RESOLVED, FURTHER,** to forward a copy of this resolution to the Office of the Chief Minister of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao.

Adopted \_\_\_\_\_\_.

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