RESOLUTION CALLING ALL CONCERNED MINISTRIES AND OFFICES IN THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO (BARMM) TO PROVIDE AN INTEGRATED AND SUSTAINABLE PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS FOR REBEL RETURNEES FOR THEM TO BECOME PRODUCTIVE CITIZENS OF THE SOCIETY.

WHEREAS, the 1987 Philippine Constitution declares that the maintenance of peace and order, the protection of life, liberty, and property and the promotion of the general welfare are essential for the enjoyment by all the people of the blessings of democracy;

WHEREAS, under Section 8, Article IX on Basic Rights of the Republic Act No. 11054 "The Bangsamoro Government shall provide, maintain and ensure the delivery of [A1] basic and responsive health programs, quality education, appropriate services, livelihood opportunities, affordable and progressive housing projects power and electricity and water to all inhabitants of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region. X XX";

WHEREAS, Section 17 (B) (3) (V) of the Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, mandates the Local Government Unit (LGU's) to provide social welfare services which include programs and projects for rebel returnees;

WHEREAS, the Executive Order No. 70 series of 2018 particularly Section 1 provides that "XXX the Government shall prioritize and harmonize the delivery of basic services and social development packages in conflict-affected areas and vulnerable communities, facilitate societal inclusivity, and ensure active participation of all sectors of society in the pursuit of the country's peace agenda.";

WHEREAS, Rebel Returnees are those persons who are previously members of any domestic rebel groups that raised arms publicly against the government for some political ideology, radicalism, extremism, poverty or oppression who return to the refuge of the government. Rebel Returnees may include but not limited to those member of Bangsamoro Islamic Freedom Fighters (BIFF) and Abu Sayyaf Group (ASG);

WHEREAS, the Bangsamoro Government shall provide responsive delivery of basic services such as food, shelter, formal employment through skills training, livelihood, entrepreneurship, education for the members and their children, intervention on agriculture, fisheries, technological and technical skills, psychosocial and counselling support in order to contribute in the establishment of conflict-resilient, sustainable, and economically develop communities, through the provision of statutory and specialized programs to rebel returnees, their families and its communities.

WHEREAS, An increasing number of these Rebel Returnees have decided to embrace the folds of the law and that they choose to live peacefully and join the mainstream community. However, there is no direct, focused and integrated package of government assistance available for them for the time being;

WHEREAS, the Rebel Returnees should be equipped with livelihood skills and farming techniques through various trainings and assistance to capacitate them for entrepreneurship or profitable employment which are part and parcel of the mandate of the



Ministry of Trade, Investments and Tourism (MTIT), Ministry of Basic Higher and Technical Education (MBHTE), Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Agrarian Reform (MAFAR), Ministry of Science and Technology (MOST) and Ministry of Labor and Employment (MOLE);

WHEREAS, basic necessities shall be provided to Rebel Returnees as aid and assistance for them to start up the normalization of their lives these include: food, shelter, education and psychosocial needs which are under the decree of Ministry of Social Services and Development (MSSD), Ministry of Basic, Higher and Technical Education (MBHTE), Ministry of Human Settlement and Development (MHSD) and Ministry of Health (MOH).

WHEREAS, security, public order, safety, and coordination to the local governments should be strengthen to ensure peaceful integration of the rebel returnees in the mainstream society, thus, under the mandate of the Ministry of Public Order and Safety (MPOS) and Ministry of Interior and Local Government (MILG).

WHEREAS, a legislative measure is a necessity to really capture the needs of this sector and to effectively address their issues and concerns which falls under the mandate of this Parliament.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, that the Bangsamoro Transition Authority, as it hereby resolved, to CALL UPON ALL CONCERNED MINISTRIES AND OFFICES IN THE BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO (BARMM) TO PROVIDE AN INTEGRATED, SUSTAINABLE, COMPREHENSIVE AND RESPONSIVE PROGRAM/S PROJECTS FOR REBEL RETURNEES FOR THEM TO BECOME PRODUCTIVE CITIZENS OF THE SOCIETY.

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