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**BANGSAMORO TRANSITION AUTHORITY**

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Proposed Resolution No. 277

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Introduced by BTA Member **Atty. Maisara Cudia Dandamun-Latiph**

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**RESOLUTION**

**DIRECTING THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE, INVESTMENT, AND TOURISM, TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE FEASIBILITY OF DESIGNING A PROGRAM PROVIDING REGULAR CAPACITY-BUILDING TRAININGS FOR START-UP SOCIAL ENTERPRISES IN COORDINATION WITH THE BUREAU OF COOPERATIVE AND SOCIAL ENTERPRISES**

**WHEREAS**, Article XIII, Section 27 of R.A. No. 11054 provides that “The Parliament shall pass laws to strengthen the growth and development of social enterprises in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region to achieve social justice, social equity, and economic efficiency”<sup>1</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, the same section provides that “The Bangsamoro Government shall recognize, protect, and promote the establishment of cooperative enterprises. It shall likewise encourage and promote social entrepreneurship as a means to engage the private sector to assist in the development, funding, and implementation of solutions to social, cultural, or environmental issues”<sup>2</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, Article XIII, Section 24 of R.A. No. 11054 provides that “The Bangsamoro Government recognizes the private sector as a mover of trade, commerce, and industry. To achieve equity, social justice, and economic development, it shall encourage and support the building up of entrepreneurial capability in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region and shall recognize, promote, protect, and support the development of cooperatives and other medium, shall, and micro enterprises”<sup>3</sup>;

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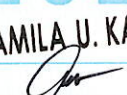
<sup>1</sup> Article XIII on Regional Economy and Patrimony, Section 27 on Cooperatives and Social Entrepreneurship, R.A. No. 11054

<sup>2</sup> Ibid.

<sup>3</sup> Article XIII on Regional Economy and Patrimony, Section 24 on Trade and Industry in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region, R.A. No. 11054

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**WHEREAS**, included in the overall goal of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) Government is the upliftment of the lives of the Bangsamoro;

**WHEREAS**, the Bangsamoro Development Plan (BDP) for 2020-2022 was formulated in line with the overall goal of the BARMM Government;

**WHEREAS**, one of the eight (8) development goals identified in the Bangsamoro Development Plan (2020-2022) is to 'create a favorable enabling environment for inclusive and sustainable economic development';

**WHEREAS**, one of the Macro-Economic targets under the BDP is to reduce the poverty incidence among families from 55.4% in 2018 to 49.6% in 2022;<sup>4</sup>

**WHEREAS**, there is no official definition for 'social enterprise' in the Philippines although the proposed House Bill No. 6085, entitled the Poverty Reduction Through Social Entrepreneurship Act of 2012, provides the definition of a 'Social Enterprise with the Poor as Primary Stakeholders (SEPPS)' as follows: refers to a social enterprise with the poor as primary stakeholders and which is a wealth creating organization that explicitly declares and pursues poverty reduction/alleviation or improving the quality of life of specific segments of the poor as principal objective<sup>5</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, one of the objectives under Goal 3 is 'gainful employment opportunities generated'; among the targets is to increase the number of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) registered from 1,832 in 2018 to 2,382 by 2022 and to increase the number of jobs created from 6,415 in 2018 to 8,340 in 2022<sup>6</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, another of the objectives under Goal 3 is 'access to financial Islamic banking and finance established'; among the targets is to increase the number of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) with loan releases from 10 in 2019 to a total of at least 30 at the end of the plan and to increase the number of MSMEs assisted with their loans from 20 in 2019 to a total of at least 60 at the end of the plan; <sup>7</sup>

**WHEREAS**, another objective under Goal 3 is 'support facilities to MSMEs strengthened and enhanced'; one of the targets of which is to increase the

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<sup>4</sup> *Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao, 1<sup>st</sup> Bangsamoro Development Plan, 2020-2022, Results Matrices*

<sup>5</sup> *House Bill 6085, AN ACT ORDAINING THE PROMOTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIAL ENTERPRISES IN ORDER TO ENSURE POVERTY REDUCTION, PROVIDING THE MECHANISMS THEREFOR, AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES, 2012*

<sup>6</sup> 3.2.2 Gainful employment opportunities generated, see *supra* note 4

<sup>7</sup> 3.2.5 Access to financial Islamic banking and finance established, see *supra* note 4

number of MSMEs provided with capacity-building from 7 in 2019 to a total of at least 27 at the end of the plan<sup>8</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, according to the data provided by the Ministry of Trade, Investment, and Tourism (MTIT), the Bangsamoro region generated a total investment of PhP 1,647.47 million in 2018 from registered MSMEs and 11,912 employment from 3,573 business name registration (BNR) during the same period<sup>9</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, social enterprises and MSMEs are proven engines of economic growth, job creation, poverty reduction, sources of investments, and crucial to the overall development of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region;

**WHEREAS**, among the barriers and challenges to social enterprises as identified through consultation with relevant stakeholders during the first Social enterprise Conference 2019 (SECon2019) sponsored by the Office of MP Atty. Maisara D. Latiph include few presence of investors, funders, local executives, other sectorial entities, lack of financial capital and capacity building<sup>10</sup>;

**WHEREAS**, now more than ever, during the existence of the COVID-19 pandemic, there is an urgent need for the creation of livelihood opportunities for the general welfare of the Bangsamoro People amidst increasing unemployment rates and it is the sworn duty of the Bangsamoro Government to provide the necessary services and assistance to its constituents in order for them to set up their own social enterprises for their own personal development as well as the development of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region as a whole;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority:

**FOR THE COMMITTEE ON TRADE, INVESTMENT, AND TOURISM,  
TO CONDUCT AN INQUIRY, IN AID OF LEGISLATION, ON THE  
FEASIBILITY OF DESIGNING A PROGRAM PROVIDING REGULAR  
CAPACITY-BUILDING TRAININGS FOR START-UP SOCIAL  
ENTERPRISES IN COORDINATION WITH THE BUREAU OF  
COOPERATIVE AND SOCIAL ENTERPRISES**

*Adopted,*

  
**Atty. Maisara Dandamun-Latiph**  
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<sup>8</sup> 3.3.4 Support facilities to MSMEs strengthened and enhanced, see supra note 4

<sup>9</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Bangsamoro Development Plan, 2020-2022

<sup>10</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Social Enterprise Conference Program Accomplishment Report, Marawi Tourism Social Enterprise Inc.