## Republic of the Philippines Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao Cotabato City

## **BANGSAMORO TRANSITION AUTHORITY**

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Proposed Resolution No. 382

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## RESOLUTION

URGENTLY DIRECTING THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH TO PROVIDE AND PRESENT A REPORT TO THE BANGSAMORO PARLIAMENT REGARDING THE ASSESSMENT, PLAN AND PROGRAM ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF COVID-19 VACCINE

WHEREAS, Section 22, Article IX of R.A. 11054, otherwise known as the Organic Law for the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao provides that the Bangsamoro Government shall protect and promote the right to health of the people;

**WHEREAS**, the BARMM Government allotted P500 Million for COVID-19 vaccine procurement on top of the P380 Million set aside by the Ministry of Health for its COVID-19 response plan;

WHEREAS, according to a newspaper, Dr. Ameril Usman, officer-in-charge of the Ministry of Health, said that they have not entered yet into agreement with any pharmaceutical company that will supply the vaccine;

WHEREAS, Minister Usman has further discussed that the Ministry is still in the process of identifying what will work on BARMM that suits the environment and situation in addition to the issue on storage capacity and the requirement of storing the vaccine in an extremely low temperature to preserve their efficacy;

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WHEREAS, recognizing the limited supply and greater demand for vaccine, the statement of Dr. Usman that they are still in the process of identifying a suitable plan, and the inherent extreme interest that constituents show regarding the matter, the plan must be acceptable or at least be presented to all the Members of the Parliament;

WHEREAS, considering the composition of the territories and constituencies of BARMM, there is a need to involve the Bangsamoro Parliament in the initial discussions on the programs' logistics in order to ensure that the vaccine's distribution is based on a cohesive and collective decision made by the Bangsamoro Parliament as whole;

WHEREAS, R.A. 11054, otherwise known as the Bangsamoro Organic Law, further mandates that the Bangsamoro Government shall assist and cooperate with the National Government in the provision of quarantine services for the prevention and control of epidemic and other communicable diseases;

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

TO URGENTLY DIRECT THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH TO PROVIDE AND PRESENT A REPORT TO THE BANGSAMORO PARLIAMENT REGARDING THE ASSESSMENT, PLAN AND PROGRAM ON THE DISTRIBUTION OF COVID-19 VACCINE

Adopted,

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