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A RESOLUTION
DIRECTING THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT,
NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENERGY (MENRE) TO FORMULATE A
MULTI-YEAR RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT PLAN IN
COOPERATION WITH THE BANGSAMORO PLANNING AND
DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY (BPDA)

WHEREAS, Section 8, Article XIII of R.A. 11054 or the Bangsamoro Organic Law (BOL) provides that the Bangsamoro Government shall have the power, authority, and right to explore, develop, and utilize the natural resources, including surface and subsurface rights, inland waters, coastal waters, and renewable energy and nonrenewable resources in the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region;

WHEREAS, the MENRE is one of the primary ministries established under Section 8, Article XVI of the Organic Law. By nature of its functions, the Ministry takes lead in the protection, conservation, rehabilitation, and development of forests, coastal, and marine resources, including the adoption of programs and projects, to ensure that the maintenance of ecological balance and biodiversity and shall be given priority;

WHEREAS, renewable energy comes from sources that can be regenerated or naturally replenished. In the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region, there are abundantly available renewable energy sources that include water (hydropower and hydrokinetic), wind, solar (power and hot water), biomass (biofuel and biopower). Except for water resources which have been harnessed for hydroelectric power supply in Mindanao, the other renewable sources are still to be tapped for energy sources;

WHEREAS, given the continuing rise of the cost of gas and oil, it is imperative that the Bangsamoro Government shall develop alternative sources of renewable energy as mentioned above that would be more beneficial and sustainable to the constituents of the Bangsamoro Government. Most forms of renewable energy are usually more cost-effective than fossil fuels. Renewable energy sources are regarded to have no greenhouse gas emissions during their operation. Hence, the need to formulate a renewable energy development plan by the Bangsamoro Government to ensure adequate sources of renewable energy for the Autonomous Region;

WHEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BTA PARLIAMENT, as it is hereby resolved, to direct the MENRE to formulate a multi-year renewable energy development plan in cooperation with the BPDA.

Adopted,

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