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**RESOLUTION URGING THE MINISTRY OF TRADE, INVESTMENT
AND TOURISM (MTIT) TO CONDUCT ANNUAL *HALAL* TRADE AND
TOURISM EXPO IN THE BANGSAMORO REGION**

WHEREAS, Section 30, Article XIII of RA 11054 or the Bangsamoro Organic Law (BOL) provides that the Parliament shall enact laws to further strengthen its policy and programs on *halal* development;

WHEREAS, the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) should take a proactive role in the promotion of the *halal* industry as one of the priority programs of the Bangsamoro Government;

WHEREAS, there is a need to increase the level of awareness of *halal* trade and tourism and solidify the promotion of the *halal* food industry through massive orientation and advocacy;

WHEREAS, the results of the key informant interviews and the consultations conducted by the Institute of Bangsamoro Studies in Cotabato City, Provinces of Lanao del Sur, Basilan, Sulu, Tawi-Tawi, and the 63 Barangays which were formerly part of Cotabato, disclosed that the participants expressed their concerns on the lack of venue to exhibit *halal* products and services;

WHEREAS, there is no *Halal* Trade and Tourism Expo in the Bangsamoro Region where the Bangsamoro people can promote and showcase *halal* products;

WHEREAS, the *Halal* Trade and Tourism Expo can serve as a platform in uniting and connecting *halal* businesses, and small and medium enterprises, as well as facilitate trade among suppliers and consumers in the Bangsamoro Region;

WHEREAS, the *Halal* Trade and Tourism Expo can boost the *halal* industry and make the Bangsamoro Region the *halal* hub of the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the conduct of this activity can promote the BARMM as one of the top investment hubs in the ASEAN region given its established links to sub-regional groups, including the Brunei Darussalam-Indonesia-Malaysia-Philippines East Asian Growth Area (BIMP-EAGA);

WHEREAS, the BARMM through the MTIT should conduct an annual *Halal* Trade and Tourism Expo that aims to create more jobs, new investments and increased productivity in the *halal* industry;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, by the BTA Parliament to pass and approve this Resolution requesting the Ministry of Trade, Investment and Tourism to conduct an Annual *Halal* Trade and Tourism Expo in the Bangsamoro Region.

Adopted,


MP ENGR. BAIN TAN ADIL-AMPATUAN, MNSA