



**FOURTH REGULAR SESSION**

**RESOLUTION NO. 247**

**RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING AND COMMENDING MAYOR  
BRUCE DELA CRUZ MATABALAO, VICE MAYOR JOHARI  
“BUTCH” COMPANIA ABU, AND TEN (10) COUNCILORS FOR  
WINNING AND HAVING BEEN ELECTED AS THE NEW CITY  
OFFICIALS OF COTABATO CITY, BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS  
REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO**

**WHEREAS**, on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2022, a history was made in the Philippine local election in the City of Cotabato;

**WHEREAS**, the United Bangsamoro Justice Party (UBJP) led the electoral race against the candidates of the opposing parties the former headed by mayoralty candidate Bruce Dela Cruz Matabalao and vice mayoralty candidate Johari “Butch” Compania Abu;

**WHEREAS**, the Commission on Elections Board of Canvassers (COMELEC-BOC) proclaimed on the night of May 10, 2022, the winners for the mayoral and vice mayoralty positions in Cotabato City resulting to the proclamation of Former City Councilor Bruce Matabalao as Mayor-Elect and Johari “Butch” Abu as Vice Mayor-Elect, by the Acting City Election Officer and Board of Canvassers Chairperson;

**WHEREAS**, last May 11, 2022, Wednesday morning, the BOC also proclaimed the elected UBJP councilors, namely: Florante Formento, Hunyn Abu, Maroup Pasawiran, Abdulrakim Usman, Guiadzuri Midtimbang, Kusin Taha, Henjie Ali, including those from other parties, namely: Jay Jay Guiani, Dr. Danda Juanday and Abdillah Lim;

**WHEREAS**, the Bangsamoro people headed by the Members of Parliament are committed to support the administration of Mayor Bruce Matabalao and Vice Mayor Johari “Butch” Abu:

**NOW, THEREFORE**, be it

**RESOLVED** by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority (BTA), as it is hereby resolved, To congratulate and commend Mayor Bruce Dela Cruz Matabalao, Vice Mayor Johari “Butch” Compania Abu, and ten (10) Councilors for winning and having been elected as the new city officials of Cotabato City, Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao.

**RESOLVED, FURTHER**, That a copy of this Resolution be furnished to the offices of Mayor Bruce Dela Cruz Matabalao, Vice Mayor Johari “Butch” Compania Abu, and the ten (10) newly City Councilors, for their information.

**ADOPTED**, Dhu Al-Qa’dah 16, 1443/June 15, 2022.

Certified Correct

  
**PROF. RABY B. ANGKAL**  
Secretary-General

Attested:

  
**ATTY. PANGALIAN M. BALINDONG**  
Speaker

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