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**A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE UTMOST APPRECIATION OF
THE BANGSAMORO PARLIAMENT TO HIS EXCELLENCY
PRESIDENT FERDINAND ROMUALDEZ MARCOS, JR. FOR
APPOINTING THE PRESIDENTIAL ADVISER ON PEACE,
RECONCILIATION AND UNIFICATION GENERAL
CARLITO GUANCING GALVEZ JR. AFP (RET) AS THE NEW
SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENSE**

WHEREAS, on January 9, 2023, President Ferdinand R. Marcos, Jr. named Presidential Adviser on Peace, Reconciliation and Unity Secretary Carlito Galvez Jr. as the 37th secretary of the Department of National Defense (DND), bringing to the Department his vast years of leadership experience as a military commander and as a public servant;

WHEREAS, the Bangsamoro Parliament welcomes the appointment of Secretary Galvez, who was known to have led the campaign for the plebiscite and eventual ratification of the Bangsamoro Organic Law;

WHEREAS, as a graduate of the Philippine Military Academy "SANDIWA" Class of 1985, the former Chief of Staff of the Armed Forces of the Philippines is a battle-seasoned and retired four-star general, who spent most of his military service career in mainland Mindanao, particularly in the provinces of Basilan and Sulu;

WHEREAS, as a known champion of the continued peace process in Mindanao, the former peace chief is best remembered for leading the defense of Lamitan City during the height of the "Zamboanga Siege" as commander of the Western Mindanao Command (WestMinCom), as well as the liberation of the city of Marawi against the Maute-ASG-ISIS terror group;

WHEREAS, for two consecutive years in 2000 and 2001, then Commander Galvez, Jr. headed the First Scout Ranger Battalion in Sulu and Basilan where it was recognized as the

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Best Scout Ranger Battalion and Philippine Army Best Battalion in Combat Operations; in 2007, he was awarded as one of the “The Outstanding Philippine Soldier (TOPS);”

WHEREAS, Secretary Galvez, Jr. is a decorated officer with two Philippine Legion of Honor Medals, three Distinguished Service Stars, two Outstanding Achievement Medals, six Gold Cross Medals, eight Bronze Cross Medals, 40 Military Merit and Commendation Medals, and the Wounded Personnel Medal;

WHEREAS, he has held key positions of Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations; Chairman of the Government of the Philippines Coordinating Committees on the Cessation of Hostilities (GPH-CCCH); and Deputy Commander for Peace Process of the Western Mindanao Command;

WHEREAS, his earnest desire for lasting peace and order is worth emulating, and shall serve as a standard for the next generation of leaders in the country;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority, to express the utmost appreciation of the Bangsamoro Parliament to His Excellency President Ferdinand Romualdez Marcos, Jr. for appointing Secretary Carlito Galvez, Jr. as the new secretary of the Department of National Defense.

Approved,

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Member of the Parliament

Certified correct:

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Secretary-General

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