

# Republic of the Philippines Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao BANGSAMORO TRANSITION AUTHORITY PARLIAMENT



Bangsamoro Government Center, Cotabato City

#### FIRST REGULAR SESSION

### **RESOLUTION NO. 293**

## RESOLUTION STRONGLY CONDEMNING THE SENSELESS KILLING OF THREE (3) INNOCENT MINORS IN LAMBAYONG, SULTAN KUDARAT PROVINCE

WHEREAS, Article II, Section 5 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that "The maintenance of peace and order, the protection of life, liberty, and property, and promotion of the general welfare are essential for the enjoyment by all the people of the blessings of democracy";

WHEREAS, Article III, Section 1 of the 1987 Philippine Constitution provides that "No person shall be deprived of life, liberty, or property without due process of law, nor shall any person be denied the equal protection of the laws";

WHEREAS, the Organic Law for the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (R.A. 11054) was enacted into law to put an end to the persistent armed violence in Mindanao, specifically the Bangsamoro Region, and usher in lasting peace and development founded on mutual trust and cooperation;

WHEREAS, the killing occurred in Lambayong, Sultan Kudarat province on December 1, 2022, at 12 midnight;

WHEREAS, the victims were minors, and identified as Samanuden Ali, Arshad Ansa, and Horton Ansa, who were residents of Lambayong, Sultan Kudarat Province, and they were declared dead on arrival (DOA) at the hospital;

WHEREAS, according to the witness, the police were on patrol when they saw the three victims, and they approached and were eventually shot;

WHEREAS, according to the witness, the three minors were begging the police officers not to shoot them. The witness said that the police officer used the shirt of the victims to strangle their necks, as there were ligature marks noticeable in the necks of the dead bodies of the victims;

WHEREAS, the killing was allegedly committed by the police officers of Lambayong, Sultan Kudarat Province;

WHEREAS, the killing should be strongly investigated by the authorities to find out the reason behind it and to identify the specific police officers who are responsible for it;

WHEREAS, the justice system in this country must be fair and equal to the constituents that we believe that there will be fair justice after the investigation regardless of our race and status of living;

WHEREAS, the Philippines, as a democratic form of government, strongly condemns any human rights violations or any act that is against the law:

### NOW, THEREFORE, be it

**RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority, To strongly condemn the killing of three (3) innocent minors in Lambayong, Sultan Kudarat Province.

**RESOLVED, FURTHER,** That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to the family of the victims, for information.

### ADOPTED, Jumada Al-Awwal 26, 1444/December 20, 2022.

Certified

Attested:

ATTY. PANGALIAN M. BALINDONG Speaker

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