



FIRST REGULAR SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 298

**RESOLUTION CONDEMNING IN THE STRONGEST SENSE THE KILLING OF
MS. JOCELYN S. PALAO, EX OFFICIO COMMISSIONER OF THE
BANGSAMORO WOMEN COMMISSION, AND CHIEF OF THE
ANCESTRAL DOMAIN DIVISION OF THE MINISTRY OF INDIGENOUS
PEOPLES' AFFAIRS**

WHEREAS, Ms. Jocelyn S. Palao, *ex officio* Commissioner of the Bangsamoro Women Commission, and Chief of the Ancestral Domain Division of the Ministry of Indigenous Peoples' Affairs, was senselessly murdered on December 20, 2022;

WHEREAS, according to Major Amil Andungan Jr., Cotabato City Police Station 2 Chief, Ms. Palao was in a van and heading home when she was attacked late Tuesday afternoon, December 20, 2022, by riding-in-tandem gunmen who tailed her vehicle from work along Teodoro V. Juliano Avenue, Barangay Rosary Heights XI, Cotabato City at about 5:30 P.M.;

WHEREAS, Ms. Palao is a member of the Teduray tribe and resident of South Upi, Maguindanao del Sur, an active member of the Indigenous Peoples (IPs) and a passionate advocate for the protection and promotion of their rights over their ancestral domains;

WHEREAS, Ms. Palao is bereaved by her husband, two sons, a daughter, and grandchildren, and remembered by her co-workers as an exuberant person, hardworking, proud of her tribe, and protective of the rights of the indigenous peoples;

WHEREAS, the killing of a beloved and innocent member of the BARMM family is condemnable to the highest degree. She is a tragic loss to the Bangsamoro people and we resolve to strengthen the fight for the rights of the IPs in honor of her memory:

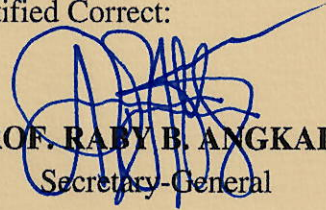
NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority, To express its condemnation in the strongest sense of the killing of Ms. Jocelyn S. Palao, *ex officio* Commissioner of the Bangsamoro Women Commission, and Chief of the Ancestral Domain Division of the Ministry of Indigenous Peoples' Affairs.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, That a copy of this Resolution be presented to the family of Ms. Jocelyn S. Palao, for information.

ADOPTED, *Jumada Al-Awwal* 28, 1444/December 22, 2022.

Certified Correct:



PROF. RABY B. ANGKAL
Secretary-General

Attested:



ATTY. PANGALIAN M. BALINDONG
Speaker

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