

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



Bangsamoro Government Center, Cotabato City

SECOND REGULAR SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 377

RESOLUTION EXPRESSING GRATITUDE TO PRESIDENT FERDINAND "BONGBONG" ROMUALDEZ MARCOS, JR. FOR MENTIONING HIS COMMITMENT TO GRANT AMNESTY TO MORO ISLAMIC LIBERATION FRONT (MILF) AND MORO NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT (MNLF) MEMBERS AND HIS RECOGNITION OF BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO'S (BARMM'S) PERFORMANCE DURING THE 2023 STATE OF THE NATION ADDRESS (SONA)

WHEREAS, on July 24, 2023, President Ferdinand "Bongbong" Romualdez Marcos, Jr. addressed the nation in his SONA wherein he made a significant commitment to include in his priority agenda the granting of amnesty to members of the MILF and MNLF, and the recognition of continued rehabilitation of Marawi City;

WHEREAS, several members and officials of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) attended and graced the same event as a show of support and solidarity of the Bangsamoro Parliament with the national government;

WHEREAS, the promise of granting amnesty to former combatants is a crucial step towards building trust, confidence, and lasting peace in the Bangsamoro Region;

WHEREAS, President Marcos recognized the evolution of the armed struggle of some of our fellow Filipinos and highlighted the progress made towards peace and development in the region;

WHEREAS, the incorporation of capacity-building and social protection into reintegration programs will further ensure the full decommissioning of former combatants, making way for a peaceful and prosperous Bangsamoro;

WHEREAS, the acknowledgment of the efforts and performance of the BARMM by President Marcos is a testament to the collaborative efforts of all key groups and stakeholders involved in the transition phase;

WHEREAS, His Excellency President Marcos also recognized the partnership of the national government and BARMM in regard to energy exploration, development, and utilization within the region which would expectedly renew investor interest;

WHEREAS, His Excellency President Marcos affirmed that it is through BARMM that the nation has strengthened its prospects for finally achieving sustainable progress that is anchored on a true and lasting peace in Mindanao;

WHEREAS, the peaceful and smooth transition of the BARMM is a shining example of how former adversaries can become partners in peace, uniting towards a shared vision of progress and development for all Filipinos;

WHEREAS, the support of the international community in this transformative process has been invaluable in strengthening the nation's prospects for sustainable progress and lasting peace in Southern Philippines:

NOW, THEREFORE, be it

RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority (BTA), To express gratitude to President Ferdinand "Bongbong" Romualdez Marcos, Jr. for mentioning his commitment to grant amnesty to Moro Islamic Liberation Front (MILF) and Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF) members and his recognition of Bangsamoro Autonomous Region In Muslim Mindanao's (BARMM's) performance during the 2023 State of the Nation Address (SONA).

RESOLVED, FURTHER, That the Bangsamoro Parliament thanks President Marcos for his recognition of the BARMM's performance, the collaborative efforts of all key groups, and the support of the international community in ensuring a peaceful and effective transition.

RESOLVED, FURTHERMORE, That the Bangsamoro Parliament reaffirms its unwavering support to the President's efforts towards achieving true and lasting peace in the Bangsamoro Region, and pledges to work hand in hand with the national government to realize this shared vision.

RESOLVED, FINALLY, That this Resolution be forwarded to the Office of the President, to the Office of the Chief Minister of the BARMM, and to other relevant government agencies, as a manifestation of the appreciation and unity of the Bangsamoro people in this journey towards peace and progress.

ADOPTED, Muharram 07, 1445/July 25, 2023.

Certified

Attested:

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Speaker

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