



Republic of the Philippines
Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao
BANGSAMORO TRANSITION AUTHORITY PARLIAMENT
Bangsamoro Government Center, Cotabato City



SECOND REGULAR SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. 424

RESOLUTION COMMENDING SAKINUR-AIN MUGONG DELASAS OF TAWI-TAWI FOR BEING PROCLAIMED ONE OF THE NINE “MANLILIKHA NG BAYAN” BY PRESIDENT FERDINAND ROMUALDEZ MARCOS, JR. FOR HER COMMITMENT TO SAFEGUARDING AND PROMOTING THE “SAMA IGAL” DANCE TRADITION

WHEREAS, the Bangsamoro Transition Authority (BTA) is dedicated to recognizing individuals who significantly contribute to the preservation and enhancement of the Bangsamoro’s cultural heritage;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7355 recognizes “National Living Treasures” or “Manlilikha ng Bayan”, referring to citizens or groups engaged in traditional Filipino arts who have achieved a high level of technical and artistic excellence;

WHEREAS, Proclamation No. 427 issued by the President of the Philippines has proclaimed nine (9) individuals as “Manlilikha ng Bayan” for the year 2023, and among them is Sakinur-ain Mugong Delasas, a native Sama, and a Sama master of traditional dance from Simunul, Tawi-Tawi;

WHEREAS, Sakinur-ain Mugong Delasas’s work in safeguarding and promoting the “Sama Igal” dance tradition exemplifies her profound commitment in preserving the unique cultural heritage of the Bangsamoro, particularly the rich traditions of Tawi-Tawi;

WHEREAS, the “Igal” is a fast but gentle dance that is shared by the Sama people, rooted in the form of worship performed with the body, and it expresses the ecstasy that accompanies the *tauhid*, that is, the manifestation of a divine being;

WHEREAS, such dance is an important element that expresses the cultural identity of the Sama people, and it has inspired modern dance and contemporary art creations in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, Delasas’s recognition as a “Manlilikha ng Bayan” not only celebrates her individual contributions but also highlights the importance of the Sama Igal dance as a vital element of our national cultural identity, inspiring the Bangsamoro community and the nation at large;

NOW, THEREFORE, be it


RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved by the Bangsamoro Transition Authority, To commend Sakinur-Ain Mugong Delasas of Tawi-Tawi for being proclaimed one of the nine “Manlilikha Ng Bayan” by President Ferdinand Romualdez Marcos, Jr. for her commitment to safeguarding and promoting the “Sama Igal” dance tradition.

RESOLVED, FURTHER, To commend Sakinur-ain Mugong Delasas for her extraordinary efforts in safeguarding and promoting the Sama Igal dance tradition, and for being recognized as one of the “Manlilikha ng Bayan” by President Ferdinand Romualdez Marcos, Jr.

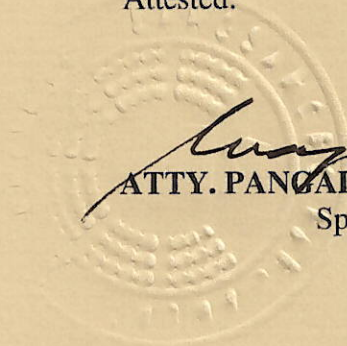

RESOLVED, FURTHERMORE, To present this Resolution to Sakinur-ain Mugong Delasas as a symbol of our highest regard and acknowledgment of her invaluable contribution to the cultural heritage of the Bangsamoro and the nation.

ADOPTED, *Rajab 03, 1445/January 15, 2024.*

Certified Correct:


PROF. RABY B. ANGKAL
Secretary-General

Attested:



ATTY. PANCALIAN M. BALINDONG
Speaker

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