

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE HONORABLE 9<sup>TH</sup> SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN, THIS PROVINCE HELD AT THE SP SESSION HALL, 2<sup>ND</sup> FLOOR, GTIC BUILDING ON MARCH 10, 2020.

**PRESENT:**

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| Atty. John Edward G. Gando    | - | Vice Governor and Presiding Officer             |
| Hon. Cyril C. Beltran         | - | SP Member and Majority Floor Leader             |
| Hon. Aurelio G. Tionado       | - | SP Member                                       |
| Hon. David G. Gano            | - | SP Member and Deputy Majority Floor Leader      |
| Hon. Luben G. Vilches         | - | SP Member                                       |
| Hon. Diosdado G. Gonzaga      | - | SP Member                                       |
| Hon. Josefina G. de la Cruz   | - | SP Member                                       |
| Hon. Rex G. Fernandez         | - | SP Member                                       |
| Hon. Raymond H. Gavileño      | - | Ex-Officio SP Member (SK Federation President)  |
| Hon. Karren Kaye A. Gadnanan- | - | Ex-Officio SP Member (LNB Federation President) |
| Hon. Marilou S. Delumpa       | - | Ex-Officio SP Member (PCL Federation President) |
| Hon. Glicerio G. Edang        | - |   |

**RESOLUTION NO. 54**

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING GOVERNOR SAMUEL T. GUMARIN, MD, MPH TO SIGN FOR AND IN BEHALF OF THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT, THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT WITH THE ANG PAGTALTAL SA BALAAAN BUKID FOUNDATION, INC. INVOLVING THE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE OF P500,000.00 FOR CONDUCT OF "ANG PAGTALTAL SA JORDAN"**

WHEREAS, for the consideration of this Honorable Body is the request of the Honorable Governor for an authority to sign for and in behalf of the Provincial Government the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the *Ang Pagtaltal sa Balaan Bukid Foundation, Inc.* for the grant of financial assistance in the amount of P500,000.00;

WHEREAS, the "Ang Pagtaltal sa Balaan Bukid", a yearly presentation of the sufferings of Christ, plays a vital role in the province's tourism industry;

WHEREAS, this Honorable Body interposes no objection to the request, subject to the terms and conditions set forth in the draft Memorandum of Agreement presented before it and subject further to the usual accounting and auditing rules and procedures;

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Honorable Cyril C. Beltran, and duly seconded by all members;

THE 9<sup>TH</sup> SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN IN SESSION DULY ASSEMBLED:

RESOLVED, to authorize Gov. Samuel T. Gumarin, MD, MPH to sign for and in behalf of the Provincial Government of Guimaras, the following:

**MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT**

**KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:**

The foregoing Memorandum of Agreement is entered into by and between the Province of Guimaras represented by its Governor, Hon. Samuel T. Gumarin, M.D., M.P.H as the First Party and Ang Pagtaltal sa Bala-an Bukid Foundation, Inc. duly represented by its Chairperson, Mr. Bartolome M. Togonon, of legal age, Filipino and a resident of Barangay Poblacion, Jordan, Guimaras, as the Second Party;

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Whereas, Pagtaltal sa Jordan otherwise known as "Pagtaltal sa Balaan Bukid" is one of the main events celebrated during the Lenten season in the Municipality of Jordan;

Whereas, now on its 44th year, the annual event evolved from being a stage play to a street drama of the passion of the Christ wherein the theatrical presentation starts with the triumphant approach of Jesus Christ to Jerusalem portrayed at the world's smallest plaza in Jordan's Brgy. Poblacion and ends with the "Pieta" at the highest point of Guimaras at the Balaan Bukid Shrine in Barangay Balcon Melliza;

Whereas, the Sufferings of Christ is enacted with intense spirituality and religious realism, theatrical color and mass appeal that outclass other presentations and is visited by spectators, devotees, and tourists both local and foreign;

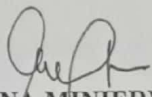
Whereas, the objectives of the event are: 1. To promote Guimaras as a pilgrimage destination and strengthen "faith tourism" in the Province; 2. To develop oneness and unity of Guimaras through this Lenten event; 3. To maximize participation and involvement of tourism stakeholders; 4. To promote the celebration as an economic venue for the locals; and 5. To exercise executive, administrative, and supervisory direction of Faith Tourism in this island province.

Whereas, the Second Party sought financial assistance from the First Party to help enhance this event dubbed as Pagtaltal sa Balaan Bukid which the First Party agreed considering that such event plays a vital role in the Province's tourism industry;

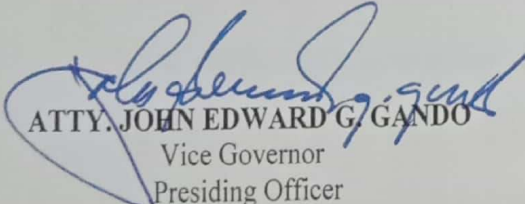
Now, the First Party hereby releases the amount of FIVE HUNDRED THOUSAND PESOS (P500,000.00) as financial assistance to the Second Party to assist them in enhancing the event in the promotion of tourism in the Province subject to the usual auditing and accounting rules and liquidation.

APPROVED: March 10 2020.

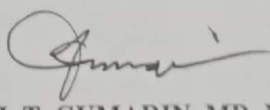
I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of the resolution which was duly adopted by the 9<sup>th</sup> Sangguniang Panlalawigan of the Province of Guimaras during its regular session held on March 10, 2020.

  
LORENA MINIERVA-ITUCAS  
Secretary to the Sangguniang Panlalawigan

Attested:

  
ATTY. JOHN EDWARD G. GANDO  
Vice Governor  
Presiding Officer

Approved:

  
SAMUEL T. GUMARIN, MD, MPH  
Governor