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CERTIFICATION

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that at the regular session duly constituted of the Sangguniang Panlalawigan, Province of Pangasinan, held on February 22, 2021 at Lingayen, Pangasinan, the following provincial resolution was approved:

Authored by SP Member Jeremy Agerico B. Rosario

PROVINCIAL RESOLUTION NO. 279-2021

INVITING THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR OF THE LAND TRANSPORTATION, FRANCHISING AND REGULATORY BOARD (LTFRB) TO A QUESTION HOUR OF THE SANGGUNIANG PANLALAWIGAN ON ITS MARCH 1, 2021 REGULAR (PHYSICAL) SESSION TO SHED LIGHT ON THE POSSIBILITY OF THE REOPENING OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES PARTICULARLY INTERPROVINCIAL BUSES IN PANGASINAN

WHEREAS, the Land Transportation Franchising and Regulatory Board (LTFRB) is an agency of the Department of Transportation (DOTr) which is mandated to regulate land-based public transportation, and to safeguard the welfare and interests of the commuting public;

WHEREAS, the Inter-Agency Task Force for Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) has already allowed the operations of provincial buses in the Provinces of Region I except for Pangasinan;

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government of Pangasinan, through a letter of the Provincial Governor dated December 29, 2020, has recommended to the LTFRB Regional Office for the resumption of the operations of provincial buses in the Province;

WHEREAS, the Province of Pangasinan is hoping that provincial buses would resume their operations by the coming month but it has yet to receive a reply from the LTFRB until now;

WHEREAS, Sangguniang Panlalawigan fully understands the predicament of the LTFRB's delayed reply which is maybe due to contain the spread of COVID-19 especially now that UK and homegrown variants are being monitored in some areas of the country;







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WHEREAS, the Province of Pangasinan is willing to comply with LTFRB guidelines for the operation of provincial public utility vehicles to and from Metro Manila, despite the general community quarantine and modified general community quarantine;

WHEREAS, the Sangguniang Panlalawigan would like to find solutions, in aid of legislation, on a lot of appeals directed to the executive department for the purpose of easing up and allowing trips to the usual destinations in the Province of Pangasinan;

WHEREAS, the LTFRB Regional Director is the proper authority who can enlighten the Body on the foregoing matter;

WHEREAS, Section 20 of the Internal Rules of Procedure of the 10th Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Pangasinan provides that a Question Hour is the period of time allotted for members of the Sanggunian to ask questions from invited resource persons coming from both the government and private sectors, usually heads of offices, technical men and prominent individuals, primarily intended to seek information from the latter on certain matters that are of public interest and in aid of legislation;

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of SP Member Jeremy Agerico B. Rosario, duly seconded, it was –

RESOLVED, by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of Pangasinan in session assembled to invite, as he is hereby invited, the Regional Director of the Land Transportation, Franchising and Regulatory Board (LTFRB) to a Question Hour of the Body on its March 1, 2021 Regular (Physical) Session to shed light on the possibility of the reopening of transportation services particularly interprovincial buses in Pangasinan;

RESOLVED, FINALLY, that a copy of this resolution be furnished to Regional Director Nasrudin U. Talipasan, Land Transportation, Franchising and Regulatory Board, San Fernando City, La Union, for his information and guidance.

CERTIFIED BY:

VERNA/T. NAVA-PEREZ Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

MARK BONALD DG. LAMBINO

Vice Governor (Presiding Officer)



