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OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
PALAWAN COUNCIL FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



Excerpts from the Minutes of the 62<sup>nd</sup> PCSD Regular Meeting  
SP Session Hall, Provincial Capitol Complex, Puerto Princesa City  
5 February 1999

**Present:**

1. Hon. Alfredo E. Abueg, Jr. - Chairman
2. Hon. Vicente A. Sandoval - Vice Chairman
3. Exec. Dir. Joselito C. Alisuag - Secretary
4. Gov. Salvador P. Socrates - Member
5. Maj. Gen. Ponciano S. Millena - Member
6. Atty. Grizelda Mayo-Anda - Member
7. Hon. Joel Bito-onon - Member
8. Hon. Ali Montaha Babao - Member
9. Mr. Rey Rafols - Member
10. Usec. Elmer S. Mercado - Member  
represented by PENRO Ivene Reyes

**Absent:**

1. Hon. Edward S. Hagedorn - Member
2. Hon. Myrna O. Lacanilao - Member
3. Usec. Cesar M. Drilon - Member
4. Usec. Orestes R. Ricaforte - Member
5. DDG Isagani B. Valdellon - Member
6. Vice-Gov. Joel T. Reyes - Member

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**RESOLUTION NO. 132**

***“A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING HOUSE BILL NO. 1696  
INTRODUCED BY DEPUTY SPEAKER ALFREDO E. ABUEG,  
JR. DECLARING JUNE NINETEEN OF EVERY YEAR A  
SPECIAL NONWORKING HOLIDAY IN THE CITY OF  
PUERTO PRINCESA AND THE PROVINCE OF PALAWAN AS  
PISTA Y ANG KAGUEBAN”***

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act No. 7611, otherwise known as the Strategic Environmental Plan (SEP) for Palawan Act was signed into law on 19 June 1992 by then President Corazon C. Aquino;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Puerto Princesa and the Province of Palawan have been celebrating for the past six years the *Pista Y and Kagueban* (Feast of the Forest ) on the 19<sup>th</sup> of June to enjoin all sectors to participate in the annual tree planting in critical watersheds of the whole province;

WHEREAS, recognizing the important contribution of this activity to the SEP's goal of achieving a balance between environmental protection and economic development of Palawan's natural resources, Deputy Speaker Alfredo E. Abueg, Jr. introduced to the Eleventh Congress House Bill No. 1696, Sections 1 and 2 state as follows:

*"Section 1. June 19 is the Feast of Forest (Pista y Ang Kagueban ) in the City of Puerto Princesa and the Province of Palawan. This day is celebrated to generate participation in activities strengthening the province's commitment to reforest our precious lands and contribute to the global effort of preserving God's gift of nature for future generation to enjoy.*

*Section 2. June 19 of every year is hereby declared a special nonworking holiday in the City of Puerto Princesa and the Province of Palawan. "*

NOW, THEREFORE, on motion of Atty. Joselito C. Alisuag, unanimously seconded by the members present, be it **RESOLVED** as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to fully support House Bill No. 1696 and its eventual implementation in the City of Puerto Princesa and the Province of Palawan.

**RESOLVED FINALLY**, that copy of this resolution be furnished the Eleventh Congress of the Philippines, Metro Manila for their information.

**APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this 5<sup>th</sup> day of February 1999 in Puerto Princesa City.

I hereby certify to the correctness and accuracy of the above-quoted resolution.

  
Exec. Dir. JOSELITO C. ALISUAG  
Secretary

**APPROVED:**

  
Deputy Speaker ALFREDO E. ABUEG, JR.  
Chairman