RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION AND
COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY (DICT), THE MAJOR
TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES NAMELY, GLOBE TELECOM,
INC. (GLOBE), SMART COMMUNICATIONS, INC. (SMART), AND DITO
TELECOMMUNITY CORPORATION (DITO) TO BUILD, UPGRADE, OR
REPAIR THE TELECOMMUNICATION FACILITIES IN MANGSEE
ISLANDS IN THE PROVINCE OF PALAWAN AND TAGANAK ISLANDS IN
THE PROVINCE OF TAWI-TAWI

Introduced by Representative SHIRLYN L. BAÑAS-NOGRALES

WHEREAS, on December 14, 2020 the Special Committee on East Asean
Growth Area held its second meeting to discuss updates on BIMP-EAGA Vision 2025
(BEV 2025) as well as the situation of the sub-region trade during the pandemic;

WHEREAS, the meeting chaired by Vice-chairperson Shirlyn L. Bañas-
Nograles was attended by the Secretary of Mindanao Development Authority, Hon.
Emmanuel “Manny” F. Piñol;

WHEREAS, Secretary Manny Piñol and Rep. Gil A. Acosta, Jr. of Palawan
informed the Committee that the island boundaries of the Philippines particularly in
Palawan and Tawi-tawi lack telecommunication facilities which hamper trade activities
in the area;

WHEREAS, the major telecommunications companies in the country can help
in solving the said problem by building telecommunication facilities or upgrading
existing ones in Mangsee Islands in the Province of Palawan and Taganak Islands in the
Province of Tawi-tawi;

WHEREAS, the Department of Information and Communications Technology
can also help in establishing the needed telecommunication facilities by providing
assistance to the telecommunication companies in securing the necessary permits
needed for the immediate construction of telecommunication facilities;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, to urge
the Department of Information and Communications Technology (DICT), other
concerned agencies of the government, the major telecommunication companies
namely, Globe Telecom, Inc. (Globe), Smart Communications, Inc. (Smart), and DITO Telecommunity Corporation (DITO), to immediately build, upgrade, or repair the telecommunication facilities in Mangsee Islands in the Province of Palawan and Taganak Islands in the Province of Taw-Tawi.

*Adopted,*

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SHIRLYN L. BAÑAS-NOGRALES