



Republic of the Philippines  
Province of Aklan  
Municipality of Batan  
Barangay Mandong

**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE BARANGAY ASSEMBLY HELD ON MARCH 27, 2021 AT BARANGAY HALL, BARANGAY MANDONG BATAN AKLAN.**

**Resolution No. 11**

Series of 2021

**RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE ENACTMENT OF HOUSE BILL NO. 7853 AN ACT AMENDING SECTION 18 OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8550 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS " THE FISHERIES CODE OF 1998".**

**Whereas**, House Bill no. 7853 an act amending section 18 of Republic Act no. 8550 otherwise known as "The Fisheries code of 1998 authored by Rep. Pablo John F. Garcia 3<sup>rd</sup> District Province of Cebu, see to allow small and Medium Commercial Fishing vessel to operate within Municipal waters that do not extend beyond 10.1 kilometers.

**Whereas**, House Bill No. 7853 Violates Article XIII. Section 7 of the Philippine constitution which states that "The state shall protection the rights of subsistence fishermen especially of communities, to the preferential use of local marine and fishing resources, both inland and offshores".

**Whereas**, the enactment of House Bill No. 7853 will result in disenfranchise of small Municipal fishers in the said Municipal waters who are only using passive fishing gears as they will again be made to compete with bigger commercial fishing vessels using active fishing gears that can fishes at greater volume.

**Whereas**, the enactment of House Bill No. 7853 would return these municipal waters back to the very unsustainable and inequitable situation that led to the banning of commercial fishing in municipal waters in the first place. House Bill No. 7853 will only lead to more poverty and further depletion of fish stocker in these already constricted municipal waters.

**Now therefore**, be it resolved, as it is hereby resolved in assembly meeting opposing the enactment of House Bill No. 7853.


**Resolved finally**, to furnish all concerned offices of the Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR), Rep. Carlito S. Marquez of Eastern District, Rep. Teodorico "Nonong" Haresco of Western District Province of Aklan and both upper and lower House of Representatives a copy of this Resolution for their information and favourable action.

Unanimously approved on March 27, 2021, during Barangay assembly at Barangay Hall, Barangay MandongBatan, Aklan.


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We hereby certified for the correctness of this resolution which was duly adopted during the Barangay Assembly last March 27, 2021 at Barangay MandongBatan, Aklan.

Certified correct:

  
**LORILYN M. SALVADOR**  
Barangay Secretary

Approved:

  
**NELSON F. URETA**  
Punong Barangay