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RESOLUTION NO. 38

RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS TO ESTABLISH A CONSULAR OFFICE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BUGALLON, PROVINCE OF PANGASINAN

WHEREAS, basic consular services, such as the issuance of passports, are among the government services needed by the people of the Municipality of Bugallon, Province of Pangasinan;

WHEREAS, the only Department of Foreign Affairs Consular Office (DFA-CO) serving the almost three (3) million population of Pangasinan is located in the Municipality of Calasiao:

WHEREAS, the DFA-CO in the Municipality of Calasiao, is always crowded by people coming from the far flung areas in Pangasinan who are applying for and renewing passports; WHEREAS, the establishment of a DFA-CO in the Municipality of Bugallon will address the consular needs of the residents of the First and Second Districts of Pangasinan, as well as those from nearby municipalities of the Provinces of Tarlac and Zambales;

WHEREAS, the creation of new DFA-COs is part of the mandate of the Department of Foreign Affairs under Executive Order No. 45, series of 2017;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 45, which likewise provides for the criteria for opening additional DFA-COs such as its projected number of clientele and income, shall be subject to the approval of the President and the availability of funds as recommended by the Department of Budget and Management: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, as it is hereby resolved by the House of Representatives, To urge the Department of Foreign Affairs to establish a Consular Office in the Municipality of Bugallon, Province of Pangasinan.

Adopted,

ALAN PETER "COMPAÑERO" S. CAYETANO Speaker

This Resolution was adopted by the House of Representatives on January 29, 2020.

JOSE LUIS G. MONTALES Secretary General