



Republic of the Philippines
Province of Oriental Mindoro
Municipality of Roxas

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN

EXCERPTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN OF ROXAS, ORIENTAL MINDORO HELD ON 05 FEBRUARY, 1996 9:00 AM. AT THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN SESSION HALL.

Present:

Vice Mayor Jesus M. Dinapilis	- Presiding Officer
Kagawad Cesar T. Batikos	- Member
Kagawad Ferdinand V. Talens	- Member
Kagawad Angeles D. Bautista	- Member
Kagawad Jesus S. Dela Cruz	- Member
Kagawad Juanito A. Baccay, Jr.	- Member
Kagawad Honesto O. Taytay	- Member
Kagawad Eduardo G. Villamin	- Member, ANO President

Absent:

Kagawad Ramil C. Dinapilis	- Member
Kagawad Ramulfo C. Bernal	- Member
Kagawad Lorna F. Dinapilis	- Member, SK Chairman

**RESOLUTION NO. 006
Series of 1996**

RESOLUTION ADDRESSING TO HIS EXCELLENCY PRESIDENT FIDEL V. RAMOS THE CONCERN FOR A PROGRAM THAT WILL RELINQUISH THE GOVERNMENT'S FUNCTIONS ON PALAY AND CORN PRODUCTION, PROCESSING, AND MARKETING AND TRANSFERRING OWNERSHIP AND OPERATION OF NATIONAL FOOD AUTHORITY WAREHOUSES AND PORT HANDBOOK FACILITIES TO FARMERS' COOPERATIVES UNDER LONG-TERM LEASE AGREEMENTS.

WHEREAS, cooperatives of varied types have been organized all over the country primarily to provide assistance to its members in their economic endeavors through collective efforts and representation to both the government and non-government organizations for local or foreign financing;

WHEREAS, farmer cooperatives have been established to support the activities of the members and protect their interest and welfare;

WHEREAS, in the current situation, farmers and farmer cooperatives are generally handicapped because of lack of equipment and facilities which will help improve their agricultural inputs, safeguard their produce, augment income and minimize losses in production;

WHEREAS, it is also a common observation that funding assistance cannot be readily availed of by farmers' cooperatives particularly those that need big investment so that efforts and hard work of farmers are reaped by those who have access to funds;

WHEREAS, most of the farmers and farmer cooperatives do not have warehouses and cannot avail of the Quezan financing program for grains, this being presently availed by traders and millers enabling them to expand their business to the detriment of farmers who have to sell their palay at very low prices;

WHEREAS, farmers and farmer cooperatives bringing their palay to the NFA usually experience difficulty in collecting payments for lack of funds and at times, when funds become available, the grains have already been bought by traders and at same instance sell these to NFA at much higher price using the farmers' membership card;

WHEREAS, in the issues of the Manila Bulletin dated December 6, 1995, Mr. Alfredo P. Zingapan, Administrator of the Co-operative Development Authority has expressed the observation that the National Food Authority which is supposed to support the farmers in the processing and marketing of their palay has of late been ineffective in the discharge of its functions and responsibilities resulting to discontentment of grain producers and the consuming public adversely affected by the annual recurrence of rice crisis;

WHEREAS, said Mr. Zingapan further opined that one way to avert rice crisis, improve the lot of farmers and support their necessities and those of farm cooperatives is for the government to launch a program that will enable farmers and farm cooperatives to own and operate warehouses and post harvest facilities so they can have access to financing programs like the Quedan program;

WHEREAS, this august body agrees with Administrator Zingapan's proposal and in support to the government's economic thrust and program of developing and extending assistance to cooperatives that warehouses and post harvest facilities of the National Food Authority should be owned and operated by farmers' cooperatives through a program in which coops could pay for them;

WHEREAS, in this light the Sangguniang Bayan of this municipality hereby expresses support to and addresses this concern to His Excellency President Fidel V. Ramos for a program that will relinquish the government's functions on palay and corn production, processing, marketing and transferring ownership and operation of National Food Authority warehouses and post harvest facilities to Farmers' Cooperatives under long-term lease agreements.

NOW THEREFORE, on motion of Kagawad Ferdinand V. Talona and unanimously seconded by all -

BE IT RESOLVED to address as it hereby addresses to His Excellency, President Fidel V. Ramos the concern for a program that will relinquish to transfer ownership and operation of NFA warehouses and post harvest facilities to farmers' cooperatives this envisioned to support and improve the lot of farmers and farmer cooperatives.

RESOLVED FURTHER to send copies of this resolution His Excellency, President Fidel V. Ramos, Malacanang, Manila for his personal and necessary action to this resolution.

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RESOLVED FINALLY to furnish copy of this measure Administrator
Alberto P. Zingapan of the Cooperative Development Author-
ity for his information and reference.

Unanimously approved.

Adopted: 05 February 1996

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VIOLETA P. FUENTES
Secretary to the Sanggunian

ATTESTED:

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JESIE M. DIMAPILIS
Municipal Vice Mayor

APPROVED:

[Signature]
GELACIO L. YASON
Municipal Mayor

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