



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 5173

BY REPRESENTATIVES MADRONA, MATUGAS AND UNGAB, PER COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 474

AN ACT DECLARING MT. GUITING-GUITING NATURAL PARK,
LOCATED IN THE ISLAND OF SIBUYAN, PROVINCE OF
ROMBLON, A PROTECTED AREA AND ITS PERIPHERAL
AREAS AS BUFFER ZONES AND PROVIDING FOR ITS
MANAGEMENT

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in
Congress assembled:*

1 SECTION 1. *Title.* – This Act shall be known as the “Mt. Guiting-
2 Guiting Natural Park Act”.

3 SEC. 2. *Declaration of Policy.* – Considering that Mt. Guiting-Guiting
4 has one of the highest biodiversity in the country as it is home to a number of
5 endemic species of flora and fauna, it is hereby declared the policy of the State
6 to ensure its protection and preservation in accord with the rhythm and
7 harmony of nature.

8 SEC. 3. *Establishment of the Mt. Guiting-Guiting Natural Park.* –
9 Mt. Guiting-Guiting, located in the Island of Sibuyan, Province of Romblon,
10 covering an approximate aggregate area of fifteen thousand four hundred
11 seventy-five and 21/100 (15,475.21) hectares including its buffer zones, is

1 hereby declared a protected area under the category of natural park, more
2 particularly described as follows:

3 CORE ZONE

4 Beginning at a point marked "1" on the Map, being N85°07'01"E,
5 seven thousand two hundred sixty-eight and 98/100 (7,268.98) meters from
6 PRS92 Control Monument "RML-3004" with geographic coordinates
7 12°23'4.71581"N, 122°29'53.61045"E located at Barangay España, San
8 Fernando, Romblon

9	thence	N72°21'0"W	554.08	meters to corner	2;
10	thence	N68°49'51"W	1,312.58	meters to corner	3;
11	thence	N82°33'14"W	841.09	meters to corner	4;
12	thence	N33°51'30"W	472.05	meters to corner	5;
13	thence	N45°30'17"W	321.04	meters to corner	6;
14	thence	N5°32'35"E	952.45	meters to corner	7;
15	thence	N39°11'59"W	944.58	meters to corner	8;
16	thence	N63°56'53"W	1,448.14	meters to corner	9;
17	thence	S76°30'33"W	458.66	meters to corner	10;
18	thence	S62°48'25"W	571.13	meters to corner	11;
19	thence	N68°22'46"W	352.82	meters to corner	12;
20	thence	S67°42'10"W	300.47	meters to corner	13;
21	thence	S80°38'44"W	436.81	meters to corner	14;
22	thence	N82°57'32"W	677.11	meters to corner	15;
23	thence	N83°31'11"W	451.89	meters to corner	16;
24	thence	N81°35'1"W	792.54	meters to corner	17;
25	thence	S28°13'57"W	568.65	meters to corner	18;
26	thence	S35°8'46"W	578.46	meters to corner	19;
27	thence	N65°55'47"W	647.28	meters to corner	20;
28	thence	N46°37'22"W	499.42	meters to corner	21;

1	thence	S36°32'22"W	485.41	meters to corner	22;
2	thence	S64°41'44"W	589.57	meters to corner	23;
3	thence	N48°36'53"W	1,783.34	meters to corner	24;
4	thence	N12°50'52"W	1,227.74	meters to corner	25;
5	thence	N12°49'24"W	802	meters to corner	26;
6	thence	N57°29'40"E	1,019.76	meters to corner	27;
7	thence	N62°25'50"E	663.32	meters to corner	28;
8	thence	S72°8'29"E	785.87	meters to corner	29;
9	thence	S68°41'56"E	701.96	meters to corner	30;
10	thence	S32°53'3"E	670.42	meters to corner	31;
11	thence	S79°51'13"E	647.12	meters to corner	32;
12	thence	N51°31'24"E	634.85	meters to corner	33;
13	thence	N52°18'5"E	940.3	meters to corner	34;
14	thence	N55°16'46"E	570.6	meters to corner	35;
15	thence	S81°17'7"E	693	meters to corner	36;
16	thence	N82°19'50"E	404.62	meters to corner	37;
17	thence	N23°42'32"E	619.27	meters to corner	38;
18	thence	N69°29'2"E	505.03	meters to corner	39;
19	thence	S71°58'49"E	436.41	meters to corner	40;
20	thence	N75°39'10"E	525.63	meters to corner	41;
21	thence	S16°39'4"E	355.14	meters to corner	42;
22	thence	S25°56'6"E	569.34	meters to corner	43;
23	thence	N58°9'51"E	394.32	meters to corner	44;
24	thence	N62°4'39"E	471.94	meters to corner	45;
25	thence	N70°45'54"E	294.44	meters to corner	46;
26	thence	N81°45'31"E	509.26	meters to corner	47;
27	thence	N69°30'47"E	485.72	meters to corner	48;
28	thence	N84°31'21"E	513.34	meters to corner	49;

1	thence	N84°33'35"E	590.66	meters to corner	50;
2	thence	N20°6'45"E	529.28	meters to corner	51;
3	thence	N20°17'25"E	605.58	meters to corner	52;
4	thence	N14°39'42"E	355.58	meters to corner	53;
5	thence	N14°51'50"E	436.61	meters to corner	54;
6	thence	N70°22'35"E	381.14	meters to corner	55;
7	thence	N80°4'26"E	365.47	meters to corner	56;
8	thence	N22°46'4"W	506.46	meters to corner	57;
9	thence	N29°57'5"E	378.56	meters to corner	58;
10	thence	N28°8'2"E	767.71	meters to corner	59;
11	thence	N61°10'39"E	215.72	meters to corner	60;
12	thence	N89°51'50"E	421	meters to corner	61;
13	thence	S50°41'36"E	235.21	meters to corner	62;
14	thence	S52°30'7"E	346.62	meters to corner	63;
15	thence	S52°50'30"E	357.61	meters to corner	64;
16	thence	S28°54'56"E	359.86	meters to corner	65;
17	thence	S29°32'35"E	387.36	meters to corner	66;
18	thence	S48°55'33"E	289.18	meters to corner	67;
19	thence	S47°43'35"E	327.05	meters to corner	68;
20	thence	S85°15'3"E	326.12	meters to corner	69;
21	thence	S83°13'33"E	364.55	meters to corner	70;
22	thence	S64°26'0"E	333.67	meters to corner	71;
23	thence	S61°32'50"E	638.07	meters to corner	72;
24	thence	S16°27'36"E	275.28	meters to corner	73;
25	thence	S18°0'58"E	345.96	meters to corner	74;
26	thence	S16°59'44"E	314.75	meters to corner	75;
27	thence	S25°30'0"E	336.81	meters to corner	76;
28	thence	S34°13'59"E	1,317.20	meters to corner	77;

1	thence	S40°23'22"E	1,055.59	meters to corner	78;
2	thence	S35°28'0"E	1,127.14	meters to corner	79;
3	thence	S30°32'43"W	1,056.63	meters to corner	80;
4	thence	S1°21'29"W	1,603.45	meters to corner	81;
5	thence	S33°42'28"W	902.78	meters to corner	82;
6	thence	S7°26'9"W	548.61	meters to corner	83;
7	thence	S12°20'49"E	1,094.31	meters to corner	84;
8	thence	N54°42'10"E	692.26	meters to corner	85;
9	thence	S53°31'51"E	1,144.03	meters to corner	86;
10	thence	S15°27'40"W	487.65	meters to corner	87;
11	thence	S34°5'36"E	1,379.02	meters to corner	88;
12	thence	S28°27'27"W	717.72	meters to corner	89;
13	thence	S22°0'41"E	1,470.16	meters to corner	90;
14	thence	S38°28'15"W	851.93	meters to corner	91;
15	thence	S23°55'11"E	813.9	meters to corner	92;
16	thence	S31°55'11"W	1,346.62	meters to corner	93;
17	thence	S2°58'53"E	192.26	meters to corner	94;
18	thence	S18°47'0"W	208.08	meters to corner	95;
19	thence	S24°48'51"W	409.84	meters to corner	96;
20	thence	S22°5'35"W	401.48	meters to corner	97;
21	thence	S2°27'36"E	419.39	meters to corner	98;
22	thence	S0°58'16"E	413.06	meters to corner	99;
23	thence	S40°36'56"W	434.73	meters to corner	100;
24	thence	S85°53'59"W	279.72	meters to corner	101;
25	thence	S73°5'41"W	426.43	meters to corner	102;
26	thence	N64°57'55"W	242.81	meters to corner	103;
27	thence	S40°8'47"W	105.47	meters to corner	104;
28	thence	N46°49'57"W	334.54	meters to corner	105;

1	thence	N47°41'52"W	270.42	meters to corner	106;
2	thence	N86°4'46"W	321.75	meters to corner	107;
3	thence	N86°9'11"W	290.66	meters to corner	108;
4	thence	N28°16'25"W	451.78	meters to corner	109;
5	thence	N1°10'4"W	294.36	meters to corner	110;
6	thence	N25°7'44"W	261.39	meters to corner	111;
7	thence	N49°13'45"W	463.47	meters to corner	112;
8	thence	Due North	207.14	meters to corner	113;
9	thence	N16°23'12"E	379.28	meters to corner	114;
10	thence	N45°55'22"E	483.02	meters to corner	115;
11	thence	N47°42'21"E	374.48	meters to corner	116;
12	thence	N73°8'10"E	299.9	meters to corner	117;
13	thence	N17°5'10"W	255.27	meters to corner	118;
14	thence	N5°27'41"E	388.77	meters to corner	119;
15	thence	N10°28'41"E	621.36	meters to corner	120;
16	thence	N46°7'36"W	467.49	meters to corner	121;
17	thence	N19°15'22"E	397.22	meters to corner	122;
18	thence	N83°25'13"W	1,029.78	meters to corner	123;
19	thence	N77°51'29"W	594.3	meters to corner	124;
20	thence	S63°38'55"W	1,559.00	meters to corner	125;
21	thence	S61°39'50"W	766.89	meters to corner	126;
22	thence	N17°45'42"W	645.78	meters to corner	127;
23	thence	N26°21'41"W	1,006.68	meters to corner	128;
24	thence	N32°29'36"W	597.54	meters to corner	129;
25	thence	N88°32'53"W	868.28	meters to corner	130;
26	thence	N17°31'32"W	1,075.94	meters to corner	131;
27	thence	N26°41'46"W	977.16	meters to corner	132;

1 thence N58°17'58"E 1,813.58 meters to corner 1, the point
2 of beginning, containing an area of fifteen thousand five hundred fifteen and
3 22/100 (15,515.22) hectares.

4 BUFFER ZONE 1

5 Beginning at a point marked "1" on the Map, being N62°23'19"E, two
6 thousand four hundred sixty-six and 517/1000 (2,466.517) meters from
7 PRS92 Control Monument "RML-3004" with geographic coordinates
8 12°23'4.71581"N, 122°29'53.61045"E located at Barangay España,
9 San Fernando, Romblon

10	thence	N75°7'46"E	682.871	meters to corner	2;
11	thence	N57°3'7"E	380.14	meters to corner	3;
12	thence	N13°50'35"E	413.768	meters to corner	4;
13	thence	N30°47'10"E	525.56	meters to corner	5;
14	thence	N16°23'35"E	690.938	meters to corner	6;
15	thence	N19°48'46"W	448.446	meters to corner	7;
16	thence	S71°48'33"W	816.824	meters to corner	8;
17	thence	N22°44'12"W	946.968	meters to corner	9;
18	thence	S80°32'0"W	625.518	meters to corner	10;
19	thence	S62°16'38"W	481.242	meters to corner	11;
20	thence	S42°27'43"W	700.638	meters to corner	12;
21	thence	N54°38'50"W	277.095	meters to corner	13;
22	thence	N80°37'43"W	412.506	meters to corner	14;
23	thence	N82°29'19"W	331.847	meters to corner	15;
24	thence	S75°59'32"W	234.988	meters to corner	16;
25	thence	S89°54'37"W	319	meters to corner	17;
26	thence	S29°0'15"W	1,161.131	meters to corner	18;
27	thence	S58°48'39"W	543.566	meters to corner	19;
28	thence	N34°15'25"E	364.181	meters to corner	20;

1	thence	N26°24'12"E	317.076	meters to corner	21;
2	thence	N31°36'27"E	305.287	meters to corner	22;
3	thence	N24°42'9"W	330.218	meters to corner	23;
4	thence	N12°29'8"W	143.391	meters to corner	24;
5	thence	N16°57'42"E	209.096	meters to corner	25;
6	thence	N58°49'34"W	233.754	meters to corner	26;
7	thence	S48°32'4"W	481.749	meters to corner	27;
8	thence	S25°53'44"E	99.615	meters to corner	28;
9	thence	S25°53'44"E	168.284	meters to corner	29;
10	thence	S13°13'28"W	205.448	meters to corner	30;
11	thence	S2°32'32"W	473.466	meters to corner	31;
12	thence	S16°59'41"E	390.035	meters to corner	32;
13	thence	N69°6'10"W	401.403	meters to corner	33;
14	thence	N3°52'59"W	280.57	meters to corner	34;
15	thence	N47°9'30"W	300.04	meters to corner	35;
16	thence	S83°22'16"W	116.781	meters to corner	36;
17	thence	S59°17'48"W	157.009	meters to corner	37;
18	thence	S9°32'20"W	271.547	meters to corner	38;
19	thence	S46°17'13"W	148.033	meters to corner	39;
20	thence	S74°16'33"W	509.05	meters to corner	40;
21	thence	N26°35'46"W	254.635	meters to corner	41;
22	thence	N33°40'20"W	183.97	meters to corner	42;
23	thence	N1°18'45"E	392.95	meters to corner	43;
24	thence	S81°27'50"W	301.338	meters to corner	44;
25	thence	S56°55'27"W	289.993	meters to corner	45;
26	thence	S23°9'15"W	473.037	meters to corner	46;
27	thence	S64°21'16"W	282.865	meters to corner	47;
28	thence	S59°34'3"W	453.477	meters to corner	48;

1	thence	N36°1'15"W	1037.273	meters to corner	49;
2	thence	N11°32'21"W	469.909	meters to corner	50;
3	thence	N67°19'10"W	394.508	meters to corner	51;
4	thence	N57°2'11"E	278.898	meters to corner	52;
5	thence	N15°1'24"W	401.214	meters to corner	53;
6	thence	N19°10'17"E	307.557	meters to corner	54;
7	thence	N7°58'30"W	281.099	meters to corner	55;
8	thence	S82°34'8"W	116.983	meters to corner	56;
9	thence	N69°11'8"W	207.545	meters to corner	57;
10	thence	N46°31'51"W	248.021	meters to corner	58;
11	thence	N33°1'26"W	119.269	meters to corner	59;
12	thence	N45°38'36"W	913.286	meters to corner	60;
13	thence	N10°51'23"W	185.826	meters to corner	61;
14	thence	N33°36'38"E	148.136	meters to corner	62;
15	thence	N0°50'58"E	269.78	meters to corner	63;
16	thence	S67°53'26"W	224.509	meters to corner	64;
17	thence	N57°49'20"W	352.08	meters to corner	65;
18	thence	N10°40'58"E	264.331	meters to corner	66;
19	thence	N53°21'26"E	646.831	meters to corner	67;
20	thence	N75°51'34"E	642.467	meters to corner	68;
21	thence	N69°54'54"E	1,223.401	meters to corner	69;
22	thence	N23°46'19"W	396.926	meters to corner	70;
23	thence	N61°42'26"E	1,064.123	meters to corner	71;
24	thence	S50°52'24"E	340.314	meters to corner	72;
25	thence	S14°36'25"E	210.163	meters to corner	73;
26	thence	S4°39'6"E	271.274	meters to corner	74;
27	thence	S10°40'1"E	297.135	meters to corner	75;
28	thence	N42°51'51"E	1,067.235	meters to corner	76;

1	thence	N66°23'34"E	441.989	meters to corner	77;
2	thence	S44°43'56"E__	774.375	meters to corner	78;
3	thence	S86°0'41"E	218.53	meters to corner	79;
4	thence	N50°33'13"E	278.418	meters to corner	80;
5	thence	N64°40"E	298.009	meters to corner	81;
6	thence	N3°15'21"W	123.25	meters to corner	82;
7	thence	N49°50'16"W	149.172	meters to corner	83;
8	thence	N9°38'41"E	214.876	meters to corner	84;
9	thence	S61°48'3"E	439.119	meters to corner	85;
10	thence	S54°5'25"E	298.201	meters to corner	86;
11	thence	S54°5'25"E	561.12	meters to corner	87;
12	thence	S68°45'17"E	564.355	meters to corner	88;
13	thence	N80°47'43"E	355.579	meters to corner	89;
14	thence	N39°41'13"E	479.179	meters to corner	90;
15	thence	N52°38'18"W	378.702	meters to corner	91;
16	thence	N7°9'43"E	312.816	meters to corner	92;
17	thence	N31°10'41"E	168.051	meters to corner	93;
18	thence	N7°22'51"E	101.195	meters to corner	94;
19	thence	N10°37'50"E	330.671	meters to corner	95;
20	thence	N44°27'24"E	97.092	meters to corner	96;
21	thence	N5°28'48"W	324.613	meters to corner	97;
22	thence	N57°49'40"E	326.067	meters to corner	98;
23	thence	S49°49'13"E	578.515	meters to corner	99;
24	thence	S42°26'26"E	855.038	meters to corner	100;
25	thence	S66°33'20"E	336.804	meters to corner	101;
26	thence	S24°39'55"E	364.232	meters to corner	102;
27	thence	S20°38'49"E	196.354	meters to corner	103;
28	thence	S75°39'11"W	525.63	meters to corner	104;

1	thence	N71°58'49"W	436.406	meters to corner	105;
2	thence	S69°29'2"W	505.033	meters to corner	106;
3	thence	S23°42'32"W	619.266	meters to corner	107;
4	thence	S82°19'50"W	404.62	meters to corner	108;
5	thence	N81°17'7"W	693.001	meters to corner	109;
6	thence	S55°16'46"W	570.601	meters to corner	110;
7	thence	S52°18'5"W	940.298	meters to corner	111;
8	thence	S51°31'24"W	634.85	meters to corner	112;
9	thence	N79°51'13"W	647.12	meters to corner	113;
10	thence	N32°53'3"W	670.422	meters to corner	114;
11	thence	N68°41'56"W	701.955	meters to corner	115;
12	thence	N72°8'29"W	785.866	meters to corner	116;
13	thence	S62°25'50"W	663.32	meters to corner	117;
14	thence	S57°29'40"W	1,019.757	meters to corner	118;
15	thence	S12°49'24"E	802.002	meters to corner	119;
16	thence	S12°50'52"E	1,227.737	meters to corner	120;
17	thence	S48°36'53"E	1,783.335	meters to corner	121;
18	thence	N64°41'44"E	589.57	meters to corner	122;
19	thence	N36°32'22"E	485.408	meters to corner	123;
20	thence	S46°37'22"E	499.418	meters to corner	124;
21	thence	S65°55'47"E	647.284	meters to corner	125;
22	thence	N35°8'46"E	578.462	meters to corner	126;
23	thence	N28°13'57"E	568.649	meters to corner	127;
24	thence	S81°35'1"E	792.535	meters to corner	128;
25	thence	S83°31'11"E	451.887	meters to corner	129;
26	thence	S82°57'32"E	677.106	meters to corner	130;
27	thence	N80°38'44"E	436.809	meters to corner	131;
28	thence	N67°42'10"E	300.466	meters to corner	132;

1	thence	S68°22'46"E	352.823	meters to corner	133;
2	thence	N62°48'25"E	571.126	meters to corner	134;
3	thence	N76°30'33"E	458.656	meters to corner	135;
4	thence	S63°56'53"E	1,448.136	meters to corner	136;
5	thence	S39°11'59"E	944.581	meters to corner	137;
6	thence	S5°32'35"W	952.454	meters to corner	138;
7	thence	S45°30'17"E	321.039	meters to corner	139;
8	thence	S33°51'30"E	472.052	meters to corner	140;
9	thence	S82°33'14"E	841.093	meters to corner	141;
10	thence	S68°49'51"E	1,312.575	meters to corner	142;
11	thence	S72°21'0"E	554.083	meters to corner	143;
12	thence	S58°17'58"W	1,813.576	meters to corner	144;
13	thence	S26°41'46"E	977.164	meters to corner	145;
14	thence	S17°31'32"E	1,075.942	meters to corner	146;
15	thence	S88°32'53"E	868.279	meters to corner	147;
16	thence	S32°29'36"E	597.542	meters to corner	148;
17	thence	S26°21'41"E	1,006.684	meters to corner	149;
18	thence	S17°45'42"E	645.782	meters to corner	150;
19	thence	N61°39'50"E	766.89	meters to corner	151;
20	thence	N63°38'55"E	1,558.997	meters to corner	152;
21	thence	S77°51'29"E	594.295	meters to corner	153;
22	thence	S83°25'13"E	1,029.783	meters to corner	154;
23	thence	S19°15'22"W	397.223	meters to corner	155;
24	thence	S46°7'36"E	467.488	meters to corner	156;
25	thence	S10°28'41"W	621.361	meters to corner	157;
26	thence	S5°27'41"W	388.765	meters to corner	158;
27	thence	S17°5'10"E	255.267	meters to corner	159;
28	thence	S73°8'10"W	299.897	meters to corner	160;

1	thence	S47°42'21"W	374.477	meters to corner	161;
2	thence	S45°55'22"W	483.017	meters to corner	162;
3	thence	S16°23'12"W	379.276	meters to corner	163;
4	thence	S17°22'46"W	478.745	meters to corner	164;
5	thence	N20°53'54"W	1,037.253	meters to corner	165;
6	thence	N48°9'46"W	297.969	meters to corner	166;
7	thence	S36°1'5"W	246.582	meters to corner	167;
8	thence	S10°2'43"W	217.857	meters to corner	168;
9	thence	S25°45'59"W	342.763	meters to corner	169;
10	thence	S70°11'11"W	307.185	meters to corner	170;
11	thence	N61°53'23"W	352.591	meters to corner	171;
12	thence	N82°39'24"W	518.251	meters to corner	172;
13	thence	N38°40'46"W	235.214	meters to corner	173;
14	thence	S89°4'47"W	287.037	meters to corner	174;
15	thence	S77°48'52"W	438.889	meters to corner	175;
16	thence	N45°41'29"W	1,732.842	meters to corner	176;
17	thence	N29°9'27"W	617.625	meters to corner	177;
18	thence	N29°9'27"W	312.154	meters to corner	178;
19	thence	N29°5'0"W	483.457	meters to corner	179;
20	thence	N44°14'36"W	749.599	meters to corner	180;
21	thence	N18°1'2"W	911.724	meters to corner	181;
22	thence	N35°25'5"W	607.382	meters to corner	182;
23	thence	N63°4'29"W	355.542	meters to corner	183;
24	thence	N27°14'10"W	463.229	meters to corner	184;
25	thence	S55°47'3"W	373.673	meters to corner	185;
26	thence	N42°10'58"W	190.619	meters to corner	186;
27	thence	N28°10'21"W	243.579	meters to corner	187;
28	thence	N32°2'19"W	459.953	meters to corner	188;

1	thence	S37°54'26"W	428.07	meters to corner	189;
2	thence	S85°22'39"W	737.399	meters to corner	190;
3	thence	S80°57'28"W	222.768	meters to corner	191;
4	thence	N26°31'56"W	342.511	meters to corner	192;
5	thence	N28°28'26"E	578.908	meters to corner	193;
6	thence	N1°25'46"W	761.607	meters to corner	194;
7	thence	N22°34'10"W	554.489	meters to corner	195;
8	thence	N22°34'10"W	297.512	meters to corner	1, the point
9	of beginning, containing an area of four thousand eight hundred fifty-three and				
10	66/100 (4,853.66) hectares.				

11 BUFFER ZONE 2

12 Beginning at a point marked "1" on the Map, being S65°15'25"W, two
 13 thousand fifty-nine and 163/1000 (2,059.163) meters from PRS92 Control
 14 Monument "RML-3006" with geographic coordinates 12°27'34.93082"N,
 15 122°39'42.83833"E located at Barangay Cambalo, Cajidiocan, Romblon

16	thence	S11°17'40"E	1,082.463	meters to corner	2;
17	thence	S73°24'32"E	837.884	meters to corner	3;
18	thence	S31°6'29"W	510.982	meters to corner	4;
19	thence	S20°43'35"W	299.515	meters to corner	5;
20	thence	S34°47'58"W	1,145.948	meters to corner	6;
21	thence	S9°10'14"E	928.62	meters to corner	7;
22	thence	S5°25'59"W	1,204.029	meters to corner	8;
23	thence	S42°24'40"E	1,150.576	meters to corner	9;
24	thence	S1°53'58"E	271.529	meters to corner	10;
25	thence	S86°53'31"W	992.46	meters to corner	11;
26	thence	S49°11'8"W	646.115	meters to corner	12;
27	thence	S38°17'53"E	789.023	meters to corner	13;
28	thence	S45°28'9"E	955.289	meters to corner	14;

1	thence	S1°10'9"W	1,176.317	meters to corner	15;
2	thence	S23°35'15"E	1,569.415	meters to corner	16;
3	thence	S19°33'23"W	1,565.414	meters to corner	17;
4	thence	S39°0'38"E	727.604	meters to corner	18;
5	thence	S66°35'25"E	1,705.373	meters to corner	19;
6	thence	S40°14'58"W	414.785	meters to corner	20;
7	thence	S66°56'32"W	1,463.954	meters to corner	21;
8	thence	S27°53'27"W	1,336.077	meters to corner	22;
9	thence	S0°54'2"E	699.956	meters to corner	23;
10	thence	S3°29'18"W	378	meters to corner	24;
11	thence	S55°22'29"W	420.472	meters to corner	25;
12	thence	S55°22'29"W	420.472	meters to corner	26;
13	thence	S0°22'18"W	308.257	meters to corner	27;
14	thence	S80°8'36"W	465.877	meters to corner	28;
15	thence	S25°46'47"W	342.598	meters to corner	29;
16	thence	N89°11'27"W	558.056	meters to corner	30;
17	thence	N2°56'38"E	1,421.376	meters to corner	31;
18	thence	N84°33'35"W	1,085.891	meters to corner	32;
19	thence	N51°32'38"W	676.811	meters to corner	33;
20	thence	S64°58'2"E	242.808	meters to corner	34;
21	thence	N73°5'41"E	426.427	meters to corner	35;
22	thence	N85°53'59"E	279.716	meters to corner	36;
23	thence	N40°36'56"E	434.729	meters to corner	37;
24	thence	N0°58'16"W	413.059	meters to corner	38;
25	thence	N2°27'36"W	419.387	meters to corner	39;
26	thence	N22°5'34"E	401.478	meters to corner	40;
27	thence	N24°48'51"E	409.839	meters to corner	41;
28	thence	N18°47'0"E	208.082	meters to corner	42;

1	thence	N2°58'53"W	192.26	meters to corner	43;
2	thence	N31°55'11"E	1,346.623	meters to corner	44;
3	thence	N23°55'11"W	813.902	meters to corner	45;
4	thence	N38°28'15"E	851.933	meters to corner	46;
5	thence	N22°0'41"W	1,470.16	meters to corner	47;
6	thence	N28°27'27"E	717.722	meters to corner	48;
7	thence	N34°5'36"W	1,379.019	meters to corner	49;
8	thence	N15°27'40"E	487.648	meters to corner	50;
9	thence	N53°31'51"W	1,144.028	meters to corner	51;
10	thence	S54°42'10"W	692.261	meters to corner	52;
11	thence	N12°20'49"W	1,094.311	meters to corner	53;
12	thence	N7°26'9"E	548.614	meters to corner	54;
13	thence	N33°42'28"E	902.775	meters to corner	55;
14	thence	N1°21'29"E	1,603.45	meters to corner	56;
15	thence	N30°32'43"E	1,056.631	meters to corner	57;
16	thence	N35°28'0"W	1,127.138	meters to corner	58;
17	thence	N40°23'22"W	1,055.591	meters to corner	59;
18	thence	N34°13'59"W	1,317.195	meters to corner	60;
19	thence	N25°30'0"W	336.81	meters to corner	61;
20	thence	N16°59'44"W	314.746	meters to corner	62;
21	thence	N18°0'58"W	345.963	meters to corner	63;
22	thence	N16°27'36"W	275.282	meters to corner	64;
23	thence	N61°32'50"W	638.073	meters to corner	65;
24	thence	N64°26'0"W	333.672	meters to corner	66;
25	thence	N83°13'33"W	364.545	meters to corner	67;
26	thence	N85°15'3"W	326.12	meters to corner	68;
27	thence	N47°43'35"W	327.054	meters to corner	69;
28	thence	N48°55'33"W	289.178	meters to corner	70;

1	thence	N29°32'35"W	387.363	meters to corner	71;
2	thence	N28°54'56"W	359.863	meters to corner	72;
3	thence	N52°50'30"W	357.604	meters to corner	73;
4	thence	N52°30'7"W	346.621	meters to corner	74;
5	thence	N50°41'36"W	235.213	meters to corner	75;
6	thence	S89°51'50"W	421.001	meters to corner	76;
7	thence	S61°10'39"W	215.724	meters to corner	77;
8	thence	S28°8'2"W	767.706	meters to corner	78;
9	thence	S29°57'5"W	378.556	meters to corner	79;
10	thence	S22°46'4"E	506.463	meters to corner	80;
11	thence	S80°4'25"W	365.471	meters to corner	81;
12	thence	S70°22'35"W	381.136	meters to corner	82;
13	thence	S14°51'50"W	436.61	meters to corner	83;
14	thence	S14°39'42"W	355.578	meters to corner	84;
15	thence	S20°17'25"W	605.577	meters to corner	85;
16	thence	S20°6'45"W	529.276	meters to corner	86;
17	thence	S84°33'35"W	590.661	meters to corner	87;
18	thence	S84°31'21"W	513.344	meters to corner	88;
19	thence	S69°30'47"W	485.721	meters to corner	89;
20	thence	S81°45'31"W	509.259	meters to corner	90;
21	thence	S70°45'54"W	294.437	meters to corner	91;
22	thence	S62°4'39"W	471.943	meters to corner	92;
23	thence	S58°9'51"W	394.321	meters to corner	93;
24	thence	N25°56'6"W	569.337	meters to corner	94;
25	thence	N16°39'4"W	355.141	meters to corner	95;
26	thence	S20°38'49"E	98.59	meters to corner	96;
27	thence	S34°0'27"E	200.25	meters to corner	97;
28	thence	N60°33'41"E	231.948	meters to corner	98;

1	thence	N3°22'33"W	356.619	meters to corner	99;
2	thence	S60°26'52"E	369.005	meters to corner	100;
3	thence	N84°20'34"E	213.038	meters to corner	101;
4	thence	N82°48'24"E	415.269	meters to corner	102;
5	thence	N76°39'39"E	299.069	meters to corner	103;
6	thence	N56°34'40"E	355.844	meters to corner	104;
7	thence	N84°50'40"E	133.54	meters to corner	105;
8	thence	N45°38'37"E	125.873	meters to corner	106;
9	thence	N12°23'13"E	219.1	meters to corner	107;
10	thence	N22°9'32"W	267.778	meters to corner	108;
11	thence	N8°39'9"W	232.648	meters to corner	109;
12	thence	N10°33'28"W	283.804	meters to corner	110;
13	thence	N63°43'7"E	361.353	meters to corner	111;
14	thence	N50°34'57"E	377.974	meters to corner	112;
15	thence	N63°30'12"E	374.318	meters to corner	113;
16	thence	N13°18'52"W	442.905	meters to corner	114;
17	thence	N13°8'23"W	325.523	meters to corner	115;
18	thence	N2°3'6"E	335.215	meters to corner	116;
19	thence	N11°22'24"E	354.971	meters to corner	117;
20	thence	N12°12'37"E	312.059	meters to corner	118;
21	thence	S40°50'25"E	233.961	meters to corner	119;
22	thence	N85°52'9"E	541.407	meters to corner	120;
23	thence	S77°42'38"E	493.304	meters to corner	121;
24	thence	S35°39'50"E	475.105	meters to corner	122;
25	thence	N31°48'19"E	303.585	meters to corner	123;
26	thence	N46°32'28"E	315.484	meters to corner	124;
27	thence	N53°57'8"E	669.119	meters to corner	125;
28	thence	N66°19'24"E	208.555	meters to corner	126;

1	thence	N31°37'32"E	198.334	meters to corner	127;
2	thence	S44°26'13"E	477.058	meters to corner	128;
3	thence	N83°3'47"E	151.106	meters to corner	129;
4	thence	N43°52'36"E	180.347	meters to corner	130;
5	thence	N83°40'18"E	133.816	meters to corner	131;
6	thence	S86°38'53"E	335.574	meters to corner	132;
7	thence	S10°22'5"E	283.377	meters to corner	133;
8	thence	S73°12'54"E	192.188	meters to corner	134;
9	thence	N27°6'45"E	140.432	meters to corner	135;
10	thence	N38°19'6"E	209.667	meters to corner	136;
11	thence	N89°45'50"E	182.002	meters to corner	137;
12	thence	S66°10'2"E	258	meters to corner	138;
13	thence	S88°38'11"E	121.034	meters to corner	139;
14	thence	N78°56'4"E	129.456	meters to corner	140;
15	thence	S48°29'56"E	23.492	meters to corner	141;
16	thence	S44°32'53"E	38.745	meters to corner	142;
17	thence	S51°17'5"E	18.187	meters to corner	143;
18	thence	S61°5'8"E	13.558	meters to corner	144;
19	thence	S70°21'18"E	13.928	meters to corner	145;
20	thence	S78°56'7"E	14.639	meters to corner	146;
21	thence	S87°45'19"E	15.94	meters to corner	147;
22	thence	N81°38'11"E	3.082	meters to corner	148;
23	thence	S23°42'10"E	63.824	meters to corner	149;
24	thence	S82°52'30"E	165.276	meters to corner	150;
25	thence	S73°13'2"E	197.408	meters to corner	151;
26	thence	S27°34'28"E	203.067	meters to corner	152;
27	thence	S17°14'37"E	209.151	meters to corner	153;
28	thence	N78°41'49"E	401.793	meters to corner	154;

1	thence	S39°41'45"E	427.424	meters to corner	155;
2	thence	S0°13'51"E	248.122	meters to corner	156;
3	thence	S13°17'10"E	178.405	meters to corner	157;
4	thence	S55°23'40"E	119.065	meters to corner	158;
5	thence	S78°17'6"E	263.489	meters to corner	159;
6	thence	N88°7'7"E	137.074	meters to corner	160;
7	thence	S59°11'34"E	486.672	meters to corner	161;
8	thence	S14°36'0"W	206.291	meters to corner	162;
9	thence	S68°54'24"E	299.037	meters to corner	163;
10	thence	N89°8'30"E	492.055	meters to corner	164;
11	thence	S2°13'20"W	618.966	meters to corner	165;
12	thence	S14°37'33"E	875.231	meters to corner	166;
13	thence	S15°33'20"E	742.061	meters to corner	167;
14	thence	S22°24'58"W	432.695	meters to corner	168;
15	thence	S44°38'53"E	633.226	meters to corner	169;
16	thence	N60°11'30"E	35.727	meters to corner	170;
17	thence	N35°23'28"E	184.752	meters to corner	171;
18	thence	N80°54'22"E	135.706	meters to corner	172;
19	thence	N74°34'33"E	133.82	meters to corner	173;
20	thence	N15°11'3"E	187.079	meters to corner	174;
21	thence	N47°41'55"E	59.49	meters to corner	175;
22	thence	S74°18'58"E	569.192	meters to corner	176;
23	thence	N63°45'59"E	231.884	meters to corner	177;
24	thence	N80°54'52"E	725.097	meters to corner	1, the point
25	of beginning, containing an area of five thousand eight hundred ninety-three				
26	and 89/100 (5,893.89) hectares.				

1 SEC. 4. *Definition of Terms.* – As used in this Act:

2 (a) *Biodiversity* refers to the variety and variability among living
3 organisms and the ecological complexes in which these organisms occur;

4 (b) *Multiple use zone* refers to an area where settlement, traditional
5 and/or sustainable land use, including agriculture, agro-forestry, extraction
6 activities and other income-generating or livelihood activities, may be allowed
7 to be prescribed in the management plan. Land tenure may be granted to
8 tenured residents, whether indigenous cultural community members or
9 migrants;

10 (c) *Natural biotic area* refers to an area set aside to allow the way of
11 life of societies living in harmony with the environment to adapt to modern
12 technology at their pace;

13 (d) *Restoration zone* refers to an area of degraded habitat or where the
14 long-term goal of management is to restore the natural habitat with its
15 associated biodiversity excluding exotic species, and to rezone the area at a
16 more strict protection level;

17 (e) *Special use zone* refers to an area containing existing installations
18 of national significance, such as telecommunication facilities, irrigation canals
19 or electric power lines. Such installation may be retained subject to mutual
20 agreement among the concerned parties: *Provided,* That such installation shall
21 not violate any of the prohibitions contained in Section 20 of the NIPAS Act;

22 (f) *Strict protection zone* refers to a portion of a protected area with
23 high biodiversity value, which shall be closed to all human activity except for
24 scientific studies and ceremonial or religious use by indigenous communities;
25 and

26 (g) *Sustainable use zone* refers to an area of high recreational tourism,
27 educational or environmental awareness value where ecotourism, recreational
28 conservation education or public awareness activities may be allowed.

1 SEC. 5. *Establishment of the Protected Area Management Board*
2 *(PAMB) for the Mt. Guiting-Guiting Natural Park.* – The PAMB for the
3 Mt. Guiting-Guiting Natural Park is hereby created and shall be composed of
4 the following:

5 (a) The Regional Executive Director (RED) of the Department of
6 Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) – Region IV-B as Chairperson;

7 (b) The Provincial Planning and Development Officer of the Provincial
8 Government of Romblon;

9 (c) The Municipal Planning and Development Officers of the
10 municipalities of Magdiwang, Cajidiocan and San Fernando;

11 (d) All barangay chairpersons whose barangays are within or inside the
12 protected area;

13 (e) A representative from the indigenous cultural community within
14 the protected area; and

15 (f) A representative each from the nongovernment organizations
16 (NGOs) or local community organizations in the municipalities of Magdiwang,
17 Cajidiocan and San Fernando.

18 The members of the PAMB shall be appointed by the DENR Secretary
19 in conformity with the provisions of the NIPAS Act. Each member of the
20 PAMB shall serve for a term of five (5) years and shall be considered to
21 represent one's sector and deemed to carry the vote of such sector in all
22 matters. In the case of members who are government officials, their
23 appointment shall be coterminous with their term of office.

24 The members of the PAMB shall be entitled to reimbursement of actual
25 and necessary traveling and subsistence expenses incurred when attending
26 meetings of the PAMB or any of its committees, subject to accounting,
27 budgeting and auditing rules and regulations, and subject further to the
28 availability of funds as reflected in the Work and Financial Plan (WFP).

1 SEC. 6. *Powers and Functions of the PAMB.* – The PAMB shall
2 exercise the following powers and functions:

3 (a) Authorize the conduct of studies on various characteristics, features
4 and conditions of the protected area;

5 (b) Adopt a land use scheme and zoning plan in adjoining areas for the
6 preservation and control of activities that may threaten the ecological balance
7 of the protected area;

8 (c) Cause the preparation of and exercise the power to review all plans
9 and proposals for the management of the protected area;

10 (d) Promulgate rules and regulations necessary to carry out the
11 provisions of this Act;

12 (e) Deputize field officers and delegate any of their powers under this
13 Act and other laws to expedite their implementation and enforcement;

14 (f) Enter into contracts and agreements with private entities or public
15 agencies as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act;

16 (g) Approve administrative fees and fines for violations of the
17 guidelines and the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to this Act;

18 (h) Accept in the name of the Philippine government and on behalf of
19 the protected area, funds, gifts or bequest of money for immediate
20 disbursement or other property in the interest of the protected area, its
21 activities, or its services;

22 (i) Call on any agency or instrumentality of the government, as well as
23 academic institutions, NGOs and the private sector as may be necessary to
24 accomplish the objectives and activities in the protected area;

25 (j) Submit an annual report to the President of the Philippines and to
26 Congress on the status of the protected area;

1 (k) Approve the specification of the class, type, and style of building
2 and other structures to be constructed in the protected area including the
3 materials to be used; and

4 (l) Perform such other functions as may be directed by the DENR
5 Secretary, and such acts as may be necessary or incidental to the
6 accomplishment of the purposes and objectives of this Act.

7 *SEC. 7. The Protected Area Superintendent (PASu)* – There is hereby
8 appointed a Protected Area Superintendent from the ranks of the DENR
9 Regional Office to be in charge of the management, protection and
10 administration of the protected area. The PASu, as the chief operating officer
11 of the protected area, shall be supported by the existing personnel of the
12 DENR and shall be directly accountable to the PAMB.

13 The PASu shall bear full responsibility in the protection of land, water,
14 wildlife and other natural physical and biological resources within the
15 protected area. The PASu shall have the following duties and responsibilities
16 in addition to those provided under the NIPAS Act and its implementing rules
17 and regulations:

18 (a) Establish, operate and maintain a database management system as
19 decision support tool;

20 (b) Prepare the management plans as herein defined;

21 (c) Provide a secretariat for the PAMB and supply the PAMB with all
22 the necessary information to make appropriate decisions for the
23 implementation of this Act;

24 (d) Enforce the laws, rules and regulations relevant to the protected
25 area, institute and file legal action independently or in collaboration with other
26 government agencies or organizations and assist in the prosecution of offenses
27 committed in violation of this Act;

1 (e) Monitor all activities within the protected area to ensure its
2 conformity with the management plan;

3 (f) Recommend the issuance of permits based on terms, conditions and
4 criteria established by the PAMB;

5 (g) Ensure the integration of the protected area's management policies,
6 regulations, programs and projects with the national and local government
7 programs; and

8 (h) Perform such other functions as the PAMB may delegate.

9 SEC. 8. *The Mt. Guiting-Guiting Natural Park Management Plan.* –
10 Within one (1) year from the effectivity of this Act, the PASu shall prepare a
11 management plan in accordance with the General Management Planning
12 Strategy (GMPS) and in coordination with the appropriate offices of the
13 DENR, local government units (LGUs), local communities, NGOs, people's
14 organizations (POs), and other people in the area who possess socioeconomic,
15 anthropological and ecological expertise.

16 SEC. 9. *The Mt. Guiting-Guiting Natural Park Protected Area Fund.* –
17 There is hereby established a trust fund to be known as the Fund for purposes
18 of financing projects of the protected area. All income generated from the
19 operation of the system or management of wild flora and fauna in the protected
20 area shall accrue to the Fund. These income shall be derived from permitted
21 sale and export of flora and fauna and other resources from the protected area;
22 proceeds from lease of multiple use area; contributions from industries and
23 facilities directly benefiting from the protected area; and such other fees and
24 income derived from the operation of the protected area.

25 The Fund may be augmented by grants, donations, endowment from
26 various sources, domestic or foreign. Any donation or bequest made to the
27 Fund shall be exempt from donor's tax and the same shall be considered as

1 allowable deduction from the gross income of the donor, in accordance with
2 the provisions of the National Internal Revenue Code of 1997, as amended.

3 The PAMB shall retain seventy-five percent (75%) of all revenues
4 raised, to be deposited in any government bank within the locality; and that
5 disbursements shall be made solely for the protection, maintenance,
6 administration and management of the protected area and implementation of
7 duly approved projects endorsed by the PAMB in accordance with existing
8 accounting, budgeting and auditing rules and regulations: *Provided*, That the
9 Fund shall not be used to cover personal services expenditures.

10 The remaining twenty-five percent (25%) of the revenues shall be
11 deposited as a special account in the National Treasury as share in the
12 Integrated Protected Area Fund (IPAF) created pursuant to Republic Act
13 No. 7586.

14 The LGUs shall continue to impose and collect all other fees not
15 enumerated herein which they have traditionally collected, such as business
16 permits, property tax, and rentals of LGUs' facilities. The LGUs may charge
17 add-ons to fees imposed by the PAMB: *Provided*, That add-ons shall be
18 determined based on the contribution of the LGUs in the maintenance and
19 protection of the protected area.

20 SEC. 10. *Prohibited Acts and Penalties* – The following acts are
21 prohibited in the protected area:

22 (a) Hunting, destroying, disturbing or mere possession of any plants or
23 animals or products derived from the protected area without a permit from the
24 PAMB;

25 (b) Dumping of any waste products or introduction of activities
26 detrimental to the protected area or to the plants and animals or inhabitants
27 therein;

1 (c) Using any motorized equipment within prohibited areas without a
2 permit from the PAMB;

3 (d) Mutilating, defacing or destroying objects of natural beauty, or
4 objects of interests to cultural communities;

5 (e) Damaging and leaving roads and trails in a damaged condition;

6 (f) Squatting, mineral exploration, or otherwise occupying any land;

7 (g) Constructing or maintaining any kind of structure, fence or
8 enclosures and conducting any business enterprise without prior permit from
9 the PAMB;

10 (h) Altering, removing, or destroying or defacing boundary marks or
11 signs;

12 (i) Extracting flora and fauna; and

13 (j) Mountain climbing, camping, spelunking/caving, researching, and
14 conducting tour activities without permit from the PAMB.

15 Any person found guilty of any offense enumerated above shall be fined
16 an amount of not less than ten thousand pesos (P10,000.00) nor more than five
17 hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00), exclusive of the value of the things
18 damaged, and/or imprisonment of not less than one (1) year nor more than six
19 (6) years, as determined by the court. *Provided*, That if the area requires
20 rehabilitation or restoration as determined by the court, the offender shall also
21 be required to restore or compensate for the restoration of the damage:
22 *Provided, further*, That the court shall order the eviction of the offender from
23 the land and the forfeiture in favor of the government of all mineral, timber or
24 any species collected or removed including all equipment, devices and
25 firearms used in connection therewith, and any construction or improvement
26 made thereon by the offender. If the offender is an association or corporation,
27 the president or manager shall be directly responsible for the act of his
28 employees and laborers: *Provided, finally*, That, for such offenses, the DENR

1 may conduct separate administrative proceedings against the offender and
2 impose the corresponding fines and penalties in accordance with the law.

3 SEC. 11. *Appropriations* – The Secretary of the DENR shall
4 immediately include in the Department’s program the implementation of this
5 Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
6 Appropriations Act.

7 SEC. 12. *Separability Clause* – If, for any reason, any part or section
8 of this Act is declared unconstitutional or invalid, such other parts not affected
9 thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

10 SEC. 13. *Repealing Clause* – All laws, decrees, proclamations,
11 executive orders, rules and regulations or parts thereof inconsistent with this
12 Act are hereby modified or amended accordingly.

13 SEC. 14. *Effectivity* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after
14 its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation
15 readily available in and around the vicinity of the Mt. Guiting-Guiting Natural
16 Park.

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