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#### HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

### H. No. 10713

BY REPRESENTATIVES BARBA, BARZAGA AND YAP (E.), PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1439

### AN ACT

DECLARING Α PARCEL OF LAND **LOCATED** IN THE **MUNICIPALITY** OF PAOAY IN THE PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE, A PROTECTED AREA WITH THE CATEGORY OF PROTECTED LANDSCAPE **UNDER** THE NATIONAL INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREA SYSTEM, TO BE REFERRED TO AS THE PAOAY LAKE PROTECTED LANDSCAPE, PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT, AND APPROPRIATING **FUNDS** THEREFOR

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

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## **GENERAL PROVISIONS**

3 SECTION 1. *Title*. – This Act shall be known as the "Paoay Lake Protected
4 Landscape Act".

5 SEC. 2. Declaration of Policy. – Cognizant of the profound impact of 6 human activity on all components of the natural environment, it is the policy of 7 the State to secure for the Filipino people of present and future generations, the 8 perpetual existence of all native plants and animals through the declaration of 9 protected areas under the National Integrated Protected Areas System (NIPAS) 10 within the classification of national park as provided for in the Constitution.

In recognition of the richness of the biological resources, both flora and fauna, that are native and distinct to Paoay Lake, as well as their aesthetic and ecological importance, a parcel of land located *Barangays* Nanguyudan,

1 Nagbacalan, Suba and Sungadan in the Municipality of Paoay, Province of Ilocos 2 Norte, is hereby declared a protected area under the category of protected landscape, and shall hereinafter be referred to as the Paoay Lake Protected 3 4 Landscape (PLPL). As such, the State shall ensure the conservation, protection, 5 management and rehabilitation of the area. It is likewise recognized that effective 6 administration of this area is possible only through cooperation among national 7 government, local government units (LGUs), concerned nongovernmental 8 organizations (NGOs), private entities and local communities. The use and 9 enjoyment of this area must be consistent with the principles of biological diversity 10 and sustainable development.

11 Towards this end, the State shall ensure the full implementation of this Act, 12 the mobilization of resources for the institutional mechanisms herein established, 13 and the full scientific and technical support needed for the conservation of 14 biodiversity and the integrity of the ecosystems, and cultural and indigenous 15 practices.

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## SEC. 3. Definition of Terms. – As used in this Act:

- (a) Buffer zones refer to identified areas outside the boundaries of and
   immediately adjacent to designated protected areas that need special
   development control in order to avoid or minimize harm to the protected
   area;
- (b) Conservation refers to any act or acts of preservation and sustainable
   utilization of wildlife or maintenance, restoration and enhancement of
   habitats;

(c) Indigenous cultural communities/Indigenous peoples refer to groups of
 people sharing common bonds of language, customs, traditions, and other
 distinctive cultural traits, and who have, since time immemorial occupied,
 possessed and utilized a territory;

- (d) National park refers to land of the public domain classified as such in the
  Constitution which includes all areas under the NIPAS, primarily
  designated for the conservation of native plants and animals, their
  associated habitats and cultural diversity;
- 32 (e) Protected area refers to an identified portion of land and water set aside by

reason of its unique physical and biological significance, managed to enhance biological diversity and protected against destructive human exploitation;

4 (f) Protected landscape refers to an area of national significance which is
5 characterized by the harmonious interaction of human and land and water
6 while providing opportunities for public enjoyment through recreation,
7 tourism, and other economic activities; and

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8 (g) *Tenured migrants* refer to protected area occupants who are presently 9 occupying, and have been actually and continuously occupying, a portion of 10 the protected area for five (5) years before the same was established by 11 proclamation or law as a protected area, and are solely dependent therein 12 for subsistence.

13 SEC. 4. Classification as a National Park. – The PLPL is comprised of 14 a parcel of land of the public domain located in the Municipality of Paoay, in the 15 Province of Ilocos Norte. All lands of the public domain within the coverage and 16 scope of the PLPL shall fall under the classification of national park as provided 17 for in Article XII, Section 3 of the Constitution.

18 SEC. 5. Scope and Coverage. – The boundaries of the PLPL are more 19 particularly described as the area beginning at a point marked "1" on the Map, 20 being N 68° 57' W, 424.63 meters from PRS 92 "ILN 3040" with geographic 21 coordinates of 18°06'59.85619" Latitude and 120°33'13.09541" Longitude: located 22 at Nanguyudan, Municipality of Paoay, Province of Ilocos Norte,

23	thence	S 9°10' W	6.59	meters to corner 2;
24	thence	S 58°18' E	35.73	meters to corner 3;
25	thence	S 6°38' E	20.50	meters to corner 4;
26	thence	S 64°4' E	26.96	meters to corner 5;
27	thence	N 47°38' E	58.67	meters to corner 6;
28	thence	S 45°17' E	56.92	meters to corner 7;
29	thence	S 1°53' W	68.13	meters to corner 8;
30	thence	S 43°41' E	29.19	meters to corner 9;
31	thence	S 39°6' E	21.34	meters to corner 10;
32	thence	S 53°27' W	7.32	meters to corner 11;

1	thence	N 70°56' W	14.78	meters to corner 12;
2	thence	S 39°38' W	22.12	meters to corner 13;
3	thence	S 80°48' W	50.95	meters to corner 14;
4	thence	S 68°45' W	45.18	meters to corner 15;
5	thence	S 1°9' E	40.97	meters to corner 16;
6	thence	N 89°24' W	15.11	meters to corner 17;
7	thence	N 77°49' W	24.31	meters to corner 18;
8	thence	N 75°48' W	61.25	meters to corner 19;
9	thence	N 38°9' W	91.29	meters to corner 20;
10	thence	N 57°8' W	36.35	meters to corner 21;
11	thence	N 75°5' W	18.98	meters to corner 22;
12	thence	S 67°11' W	61.46	meters to corner 23;
13	thence	N 75°5' W	53.24	meters to corner 24;
14	thence	N 31°7' W	16.83	meters to corner 25;
15	thence	N 8°57' E	103.52	meters to corner 26;
16	thence	N 82°58' W	8.83	meters to corner 27;
17	thence	S 10°39' W	211.79	meters to corner 28;
18	thence	S 12°52' E	93.71	meters to corner 29;
19	thence	S 31°44' E	39.93	meters to corner 30;
20	thence	S 18°58' E	31.26	meters to corner 31;
21	thence	S 14°2' W	50.82	meters to corner 32;
22	thence	S 21°46' W	40.24	meters to corner 33;
23	thence	S 19°59' W	30.13	meters to corner 34;
24	thence	S 66°57' E	31.62	meters to corner 35;
25	thence	S 21°49' E	55.82	meters to corner 36;
26	thence	S 1°9' W	16.03	meters to corner 37;
27	thence	S 23°21' W	26.60	meters to corner 38;
28	thence	S 63°45' W	26.63	meters to corner 39;
29	thence	S 74°47' W	105.52	meters to corner 40;
30	thence	S 54°59' W	42.09	meters to corner 41;
31	thence	S 43°2' W	16.53	meters to corner 42;
32	thence	S 14°18' W	20.90	meters to corner 43;

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2	thence	S 9°5' E	32.81	meters to corner 44;
2	thence	<u>5 9 5 E</u> S 26°39' W	32.18	meters to corner 45;
		S 20 39 W S 67°52' W	24.74	meters to corner 46;
4	thence thence	S 67 52 W S 40°28' W	24.74 35.44	meters to corner 47;
5				meters to corner 48;
6	thence	S 20°44' W	86.10	meters to corner 49;
7	thence	S 39°47' W	28.43	meters to corner 50;
8	thence	S 51°18' W	87.36	meters to corner 51;
9	thence	N 63°34' W	22.62	meters to corner 52;
10	thence	N 53°1' W	20.02	meters to corner 53;
11	thence	N 37°21' W	69.40	meters to corner 54;
12	thence	N 14°33' W	13.26	meters to corner 55;
13	thence	N 53°0' W	31.95	meters to corner 56;
14	thence	N 39°9' W	20.58	meters to corner 57;
15	thence	N 14°38' W	9.39	meters to corner 58;
16	thence	N 14°38' W	14.86	meters to corner 59;
17	thence	N 31°43' E	104.38	meters to corner 60;
18	thence	N 31°43' E	6.62	meters to corner 61;
19	thence	N 31°41' E	6.74	meters to corner 62;
20	thence	N 31°41' E	11.42	meters to corner 63;
21	thence	N 57°3' E	3.62	meters to corner 64;
22	thence	N 26°52' E	7.52	meters to corner 65;
23	thence	N 27°53' E	22.47	meters to corner 66;
24	thence	N 20°44' E	22.97	meters to corner 67;
25	thence	N 3°11' W	16.56	meters to corner 68;
26	thence	N 13°2' E	27.58	meters to corner 69;
27	thence	N 25°27' E	49.56	meters to corner 70;
28	thence	N 30°18' E	16.78	meters to corner 71;
29	thence	N 23°29' E	23.97	meters to corner 72;
30	thence	N 23°29' E	11.10	meters to corner 73;
31	thence	N 21°25' E	10.76	meters to corner 74;
32	thence	N 25°0' E	10.84	meters to corner 75;

1	thence	N 37°33' E	10.86	meters to corner 76;
2	thence	N 17°46' E	54.05	meters to corner 77;
3	thence	N 22°1' W	20.62	meters to corner 78;
4	thence	N 58°12' W	13.13	meters to corner 79;
5	thence	N 78°3' W	71.00	meters to corner 80;
6	thence	N 22°35' W	23.67	meters to corner 81;
7	thence	N 76°21' W	106.07	meters to corner 82;
8	thence	S 84°48' W	44.74	meters to corner 83;
9	thence	S 70°59' W	25.34	meters to corner 84;
10	thence	S 70°59' W	55.20	meters to corner 85;
11	thence	S 70°59' W	56.33	meters to corner 86;
12	thence	S 48°16' W	26.24	meters to corner 87;
13	thence	S 71°17' W	22.41	meters to corner 88;
14	thence	N 82°19' W	14.73	meters to corner 89;
15	thence	N 75°1' W	10.64	meters to corner 90;
16	thence	N 74°43' W	5.54	meters to corner 91;
17	thence	N 76°24' W	7.83	meters to corner 92;
18	thence	N 65°5' W	19.08	meters to corner 93;
19	thence	N 50°3' W	19.75	meters to corner 94;
20	thence	N 48°37' W	19.35	meters to corner 95;
21	thence	N 50°35' W	24.52	meters to corner 96;
22	thence	N 15°9' W	27.92	meters to corner 97;
23	thence	N 23°26' W	51.18	meters to corner 98;
24	thence	N 18°49' W	36.70	meters to corner 99;
25	thence	N 7°11' W	30.62	meters to corner 100;
26	thence	N 10°12' W	15.02	meters to corner 101;
27	thence	N 19°55' W	46.13	meters to corner 102;
28	thence	N 11°2' W	88.47	meters to corner 103;
29	thence	N 37°57' W	166.00	meters to corner 104;
30	thence	N 35°38' W	78.96	meters to corner 105;
31	thence	N 65°5' W	47.80	meters to corner 106;
32	thence	S 82°35' W	2.94	meters to corner 107;

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• 1	thence	S 87°57' W	28.75	meters to corner 108;
2	thence	S 76°53' W	28.11	meters to corner 109;
3	thence	S 54°28' W	32.92	meters to corner 110;
4	thence	S 32°44' W	31.33	meters to corner 111;
5	thence	S 9°38' W	16.02	meters to corner 112;
6	thence	S 1°12' W	34.79	meters to corner 113;
7	thence	S 7°19' W	32.33	meters to corner 114;
8	thence	S 27°19' W	55.31	meters to corner 115;
9	thence	S 49°49' W	17.78	meters to corner 116;
10	thence	S 38°1' W	38.83	meters to corner 117;
11	thence	S 41°26' W	84.21	meters to corner 118;
12	thence	S 47°23' W	25.42	meters to corner 119;
13	thence	S 38°33' W	57.47	meters to corner 120;
14	thence	S 33°7' W	32.42	meters to corner 121;
15	thence	S 40°57' W	21.16	meters to corner 122;
16	thence	S 42°32' W	9.55	meters to corner 123;
17	thence	S 38°37' W	10.56	meters to corner 124;
18	thence	S 39°43' W	78.44	meters to corner 125;
19	thence	S 50°13' E	8.16	meters to corner 126;
20	thence	S 75°59' E	39.69	meters to corner 127;
21	thence	S 55°1' E	27.36	meters to corner 128;
22	thence	S 15°41' E	16.12	meters to corner 129;
23	thence	S 12°15' E	18.89	meters to corner 130;
24	thence	S 13°4' E	12.96	meters to corner 131;
25	thence	S 7°36' E	2.72	meters to corner 132;
26	thence	S 15°3' E	9.88	meters to corner 133;
27	thence	S 19°28' E	27.61	meters to corner 134;
28	thence	S 21°41' E	15.35	meters to corner 135;
29	thence	S 17°43' E	35.73	meters to corner 136;
30	thence	S 3°45' W	12.56	meters to corner 137;
31	thence	S 12°3' W	20.51	meters to corner 138;
32	thence	S 7°43' W	17.80	meters to corner 139;

1	thence	S 4°52' W	16.48	meters to corner 140;
2	thence	N 4°5' W	0.14	meters to corner 141;
3	thence	S 1°14' W	18.20	meters to corner 142;
4	thence	S 5°23' W	14.70	meters to corner 143;
5	thence	S 3°6' W	12.79	meters to corner 144;
6	thence	S 10°31' E	15.06	meters to corner 145;
7	thence	S 14°12' E	19.43	meters to corner 146;
8	thence	S 3°41' W	21.61	meters to corner 147;
9	thence	S 25°13' W	21.61	meters to corner 148;
10	thence	S 31°15' W	36.03	meters to corner 149;
11	thence	S 36°17' W	26.75	meters to corner 150;
12	thence	S 36°17' W	11.52	meters to corner 151;
13	thence	S 41°33' W	58.75	meters to corner 152;
14	thence	S 36°34' W	4.05	meters to corner 153;
15	thence	S 28°3' W	34.64	meters to corner 154;
16	thence	S 15°8' W	20.18	meters to corner 155;
17	thence	S 15°8' W	14.22	meters to corner 156;
18	thence	S 5°39' W	33.17	meters to corner 157;
19	thence	S 5°21' W	32.93	meters to corner 158;
20	thence	S 31°59' W	88.24	meters to corner 159;
21	thence	S 23°26' W	6.06	meters to corner 160;
22	thence	S 23°26' W	53.60	meters to corner 161;
23	thence	S 23°26' W	28.00	meters to corner 162;
24	thence	S 26°15' E	18.90	meters to corner 163;
25	thence	S 79°16' E	5.00	meters to corner 164;
26	thence	N 65°4' E	36.61	meters to corner 165;
27	thence	S 86°1' E	11.93	meters to corner 166;
28	thence	S 62°23' E	27.37	meters to corner 167;
29	thence	S 61°44' E	23.86	meters to corner 168;
30	thence	S 32°41' E	29.70	meters to corner 169;
31	thence	S 5°17' E	24.63	meters to corner 170;
32	thence	S 12°15' W	19.65	meters to corner 171;

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1	thence	S 15°2' W	6.31	meters to corner 172;
2	thence	S 19°18' W	12.20	meters to corner 173;
3	thence	S 17°38' W	19.25	meters to corner 174;
4	thence	S 15°5' W	19.50	meters to corner 175;
5	thence	S 53°56' E	12.52	meters to corner 176;
6	thence	S 18°28' W	18.01	meters to corner 177;
7	thence	S 18°28' W	38.67	meters to corner 178;
8	thence	S 84°39' W	3.76	meters to corner 179;
9	thence	N 87°38' W	13.28	meters to corner 180;
10	thence	N 89°28' W	19.30	meters to corner 181;
11	thence	N 89°48' W	31.32	meters to corner 182;
12	thence	N 89°58' W	16.70	meters to corner 183;
13	thence	N 87°43' W	90.93	meters to corner 184;
14	thence	N 51°48' W	30.26	meters to corner 185;
15	thence	N 40°5' W	64.68	meters to corner 186;
16	thence	N 7°14' W	112.10	meters to corner 187;
17	thence	N 9°44' W	86.71	meters to corner 188;
18	thence	N 23°3' W	11.00	meters to corner 189;
19	thence	N 23°3' W	12.67	meters to corner 190;
20	thence	N 39°47' W	70.66	meters to corner 191;
21	thence	N 20°3' W	25.63	meters to corner 192;
22	thence	N 9°18' W	8.72	meters to corner 193;
23	thence	N 4°3' E	6.37	meters to corner 194;
24	thence	N 5°22' E	5.03	meters to corner 195;
25	thence	N 11°42' E	7.79	meters to corner 196;
26	thence	N 27°46' E	7.64	meters to corner 197;
27	thence	N 21°5' E	26.28	meters to corner 198;
28	thence	N 38°16' E	36.58	meters to corner 199;
29	thence	N 12°48' E	27.00	meters to corner 200;
30	thence	N 10°4' W	10.54	meters to corner 201;
31	thence	N 18°44' W	7.78	meters to corner 202;
32	thence	N 18°6' W	15.36	meters to corner 203;

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1	thence	N 27°44' W	159.64	meters to corner 204;
2	thence	N 30°44' W	38.10	meters to corner 205;
3	thence	N 31°38' W	18.87	meters to corner 206;
4	thence	N 35°15' W	18.49	meters to corner 207;
5	thence	N 37°15' W	48.08	meters to corner 208;
6	thence	N 19°43' W	47.09	meters to corner 209;
7	thence	N 34°18' W	24.61	meters to corner 210;
8	thence	N 32°3' W	23.10	meters to corner 211;
9	thence	N 39°35' W	31.57	meters to corner 212;
10	thence	N 36°32' W	18.95	meters to corner 213;
11	thence	N 35°28' W	19.39	meters to corner 214;
12	thence	N 47°23' W	18.93	meters to corner 215;
13	thence	N 40°6' W	13.92	meters to corner 216;
14	thence	N 38°1' W	10.93	meters to corner 217;
15	thence	N 21°2' W	36.19	meters to corner 218;
16	thence	N 12°24' W	41.57	meters to corner 219;
17	thence	N 25°4' W	20.67	meters to corner 220;
18	thence	N 26°8' W	62.85	meters to corner 221;
19	thence	N 3°59' W	66.61	meters to corner 222;
20	thence	N 58°32' W	9.45	meters to corner 223;
21	thence	N 58°33' W	7.99	meters to corner 224;
22	thence	N 58°32' W	8.49	meters to corner 225;
23	thence	N 58°32' W	8.01	meters to corner 226;
24	thence	N 58°32' W	7.53	meters to corner 227;
25	thence	N 58°32' W	9.26	meters to corner 228;
26	thence	N 58°32' W	8.63	meters to corner 229;
27	thence	N 58°32' W	8.87	meters to corner 230;
28	thence	N 82°25' W	33.23	meters to corner 231;
29	thence	S 81°22' W	27.49	meters to corner 232;
30	thence	N 88°35' W	23.05	meters to corner 233;
31	thence	N 81°2' W	21.76	meters to corner 234;
32	thence	N 78°' W	21.92	meters to corner 235;

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· 1	thence	N 75°57' W	12.68	meters to corner 236;
2	thence	N 72°36' W	8.09	meters to corner 237;
3	thence	N 74°41' W	4.01	meters to corner 233;
4	thence	N 72°24' W	13.95	meters to corner 239;
5	thence	N 69°56' W	13.32	meters to corner 240;
6	thence	N 75°48' W	12.40	meters to corner 241;
7	thence	N 64°38' W	11.83	meters to corner 242;
8	thence	N 57°58' W	12.82	meters to corner 243;
9	thence	N 51°3' W	7.32	meters to corner 244;
10	thence	N 45°43' W	9.02	meters to corner 245;
11	thence	N 35°26' W	11.90	meters to corner 246;
12	thence	N 30°17' W	12.00	meters to corner 247;
13	thence	N 22°1' W	13.76	meters to corner 248;
14	thence	N 8°3' W	7.51	meters to corner 249;
15	thence	N 6°58' W	33.55	meters to corner 250;
16	thence	N 6°14' W	57.83	meters to corner 251;
17	thence	N 11°45' W	113.43	meters to corner 252;
18	thence	N 28°3' E	57.58	meters to corner 253;
19	thence	N 29°15' E	32.81	meters to corner 254;
20	thence	N 39°14' E	93.16	meters to corner 255;
21	thence	N 38°7' E	94.47	meters to corner 256;
22	thence	N 32°29' E	20.46	meters to corner 257;
23	thence	N 48°54' E	43.65	meters to corner 258;
24	thence	N 55°42' E	70.84	meters to corner 259;
25	thence	N 23°54' E	154.34	meters to corner 260;
26	thence	N 36°18' E	42.15	meters to corner 261;
27	thence	N 31°54' E	61.49	meters to corner 262;
28	thence	N 20°26' E	34.45	meters to corner 263;
29	thence	N 23°21' E	40.40	meters to corner 264;
30	thence	N 28°15' E	40.06	meters to corner 265;
31	thence	N 34°28' E	40.44	meters to corner 266;
32	thence	N 45°' E	39.51	meters to corner 267;

1	thence	N 47°1' E	38.43	meters to corner 268;
2	thence	N 41°4' E	136.07	meters to corner 269;
3	thence	N 8°28' E	11.95	meters to corner 270;
4	thence	N 27°4' E	56.03	meters to corner 271;
5	thence	N 15°41' E	30.95	meters to corner 272;
6	thence	N 27°46' E	41.30	meters to corner 273;
7	thence	N 28°2' E	40.67	meters to corner 274;
8	thence	N 32°44' E	88.37	meters to corner 275;
9	thence	N 29°13' E	28.40	meters to corner 276;
10	thence	N 30°19' E	86.09	meters to corner 277;
11	thence	S 56°49' E	10.40	meters to corner 278;
12	thence	N 36°53' E	25.68	meters to corner 279;
13	thence	N 17°2' E	32.25	meters to corner 280;
14	thence	N 1°4' E	68.09	meters to corner 281;
15	thence	N 40°55' E	9.05	meters to corner 282;
16	thence	N 66°35' E	54.37	meters to corner 283;
17	thence	N 11°1' E	9.08	meters to corner 284;
18	thence	N 38°33' W	20.73	meters to corner 285;
19	thence	N 14°39' E	7.82	meters to corner 286;
20	thence	N 60°22' E	44.70	meters to corner 287;
21	thence	S 84°31' E	17.47	meters to corner 288;
22	thence	N 46°33' E	21.35	meters to corner 289;
23	thence	N 71°58' E	12.89	meters to corner 290;
24	thence	S 81°23' E	22.31	meters to corner 291;
25	thence	S 57°1' E	30.77	meters to corner 292;
26	thence	S 37°9' E	39.37	meters to corner 293;
27	thence	S 70°47' E	42.18	meters to corner 294;
28	thence	S 62°48' E	23.74	meters to corner 295;
29	thence	S 84°56' E	22.63	meters to corner 296;
30	thence	S 84°51' E	35.18	meters to corner 297;
31	thence	S 43°23' E	16.02	meters to corner 298;
32	thence	S 88°22' E	18.18	meters to corner 299;

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1	thence	S 79°41' E	37.01	meters to corner 300;
2	thence	S 54°58' E	23.43	meters to corner 301;
3	thence	S 65°1' E	20.22	meters to corner 302;
4	thence	S 45°48' E	14.59	meters to corner 303;
5	thence	S 31°12' E	14.15	meters to corner 304;
6	thence	S 16°11' E	15.00	meters to corner 305;
7	thence	S 34°32' E	20.08	meters to corner 306;
8	thence	S 12°24' W	10.01	meters to corner 307;
9	thence	S 39°52' W	15.95	meters to corner 308;
10	thence	S 77°22' W	4.16	meters to corner 309;
11	thence	S 7°44' W	11.14	meters to corner 310;
12	thence	S 42°29' E	7.24	meters to corner 311;
13	thence	S 70°17' E	26.08	meters to corner 312;
14	thence	N 57°2' E	11.91	meters to corner 313;
15	thence	N 3°41' W	3.89	meters to corner 314;
16	thence	N 41°25' E	49.38	meters to corner 315;
17	thence	N 55°19' E	45.14	meters to corner 316;
18	thence	S 56°36' E	7.25	meters to corner 317;
19	thence	S 33°46' E	89.67	meters to corner 318;
20	thence	S 11°55' E	58.56	meters to corner 319;
21	thence	S 5°2' E	79.94	meters to corner 320;
22	thence	S 4°1' E	63.57	meters to corner 321;
23	thence	S 7°43' W	52.94	meters to corner 322;
24	thence	S 16°45' W	84.00	meters to corner 323;
25	thence	S 7°1' W	58.41	meters to corner 324;
26	thence	S 15°23' E	30.77	meters to corner 325;
27	thence	S 29°42' E	36.21	meters to corner 326;
28	thence	S 29°24' E	91.04	meters to corner 327;
29	thence	S 36°5' E	41.69	meters to corner 328;
30	thence	S 58°34' E	84.40	meters to corner 329;
31	thence	N 76°36' E	68.55	meters to corner 330;
32	thence	N 35°48' E	46.17	meters to corner 331;

1	thence	N 36°28' E	76.65	meters to corner 332;
2	thence	N 17°53' E	82.23	meters to corner 333;
3	thence	N 21°1' E	81.71	meters to corner 334;
4	thence	N 25°52' E	16.53	meters to corner 335;
5	thence	N 44°24' E	25.41	meters to corner 336;
6	thence	N 42°43' E	81.97	meters to corner 337;
7	thence	N 65°21' W	21.05	meters to corner 338;
8	thence	N 48°33' E	46.74	meters to corner 339;
9	thence	N 19°21' E	82.80	meters to corner 340;
10	thence	N 21°37' E	32.79	meters to corner 341;
11	thence	N 26°3' E	17.01	meters to corner 342;
12	thence	N 27°1' E	15.03	meters to corner 343;
13	thence	N 5°53' E	82.33	meters to corner 344;
14	thence	N 41°15' W	36.80	meters to corner 345;
15	thence	N 2°41' E	103.42	meters to corner 346;
16	thence	N 22°52' E	24.63	meters to corner 347;
17	thence	N 76°55' E	55.03	meters to corner 348;
18	thence	S 34°1' E	92.42	meters to corner 349;
19	thence	S 55°5' E	42.40	meters to corner 350;
20	thence	S 86°12' E	57.07	meters to corner 351;
21	thence	N 59°55' E	14.98	meters to corner 352;
22	thence	N 12°' E	71.39	meters to corner 353;
23	thence	N 70°28' E	50.43	meters to corner 354;
24	thence	S 73°48' E	40.73	meters to corner 355;
25	thence	S 8°5' E	33.22	meters to corner 356;
26	thence	S 32°21' E	78.16	meters to corner 357;
27	thence	S 34°43' E	61.09	meters to corner 358;
28	thence	S 47°52' E	35.02	meters to corner 359;
29	thence	S 59°26' E	40.50	meters to corner 360;
30	thence	N 84°48' E	17.99	meters to corner 361;
31	thence	N 22°35' E	115.76	meters to corner 362;
32	thence	N 4°26' E	34.80	meters to corner 363;

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1	thence	N 0°21' W	85.02	meters to corner 364;
2	thence	N 48°13' E	49.19	meters to corner 365;
3	thence	N 74°55' E	24.48	meters to corner 366;
4	thence	N 33°6' E	39.54	meters to corner 367;
5	thence	N 9°34' E	25.15	meters to corner 368;
6	thence	S 81°26' E	141.71	meters to corner 369;
7	thence	S 20°' W	40.68	meters to corner 370;
8	thence	S 8°15' W	85.58	meters to corner 371;
9	thence	S 24°5' W	100.89	meters to corner 372;
10	thence	S 1°38' W	26.93	meters to corner 373;
11	thence	S 35°33' W	45.08	meters to corner 374;
12	thence	S 35°44' W	18.48	meters to corner 375;
13	thence	S 22°46' W	91.86	meters to corner 376;
14	thence	S 37°6' W	70.69	meters to corner 377;
15	thence	S 59°16' W	17.55	meters to corner 378;
16	thence	S 69°31' W	40.09	meters to corner 379;
17	thence	S 47°15' W	37.26	meters to corner 380;
18	thence	S 43°13' W	51.74	meters to corner 381;
19	thence	S 68°58' W	45.71	meters to corner 382;
20	thence	N 71°54' W	29.57	meters to corner 383;
21	thence	N 58°49' W	56.76	meters to corner 384;
22	thence	N 80°23' W	19.34	meters to corner 385;
23	thence	S 63°6' W	61.51	meters to corner 386;
24	thence	S 25°32' W	52.21	meters to corner 387;
25	thence	S 3°4' W	89.77	meters to corner 388;
26	thence	S 21°' W	83.43	meters to corner 389;
27	thence	S 35°51' W	36.18	meters to corner 390;
28	thence	S 29°36' W	57.46	meters to corner 391;
29	thence	S 52°33' W	90.95	meters to corner 392;
30	thence	S 24°56' W	60.77	meters to corner 393;
31	thence	S 0°23' W	56.22	meters to corner 394;
32	thence	S 6°32' E	47.57	meters to corner 395;

1	thence	S 23°59' E	37.65	meters to corner 396;
2	thence	S 17°55' E	57.71	meters to corner 397;
3	thence	N 46°4' E	88.50	meters to corner 398;
4	thence	N 88°22' E	55.87	meters to corner 399;
5	thence	S 69°26' E	39.16	meters to corner 400;
6	thence	S 13°11' E	126.35	meters to corner 401;
7	thence	S 60°44' E	39.52	meters to corner 402;
8	thence	N 5°31' E	140.70	meters to corner 403;
9	thence	N 76°5' E	113.41	meters to corner 404;
10	thence	N 89°5' E	26.49	meters to corner 405;
11	thence	N 58°8' E	104.54	meters to corner 406;
12	thence	N 59°18' E	33.91	meters to corner 407;
13	thence	N 71°41' E	79.05	meters to corner 408;
14	thence	S 49°11' E	75.05	meters to corner 409;
15	thence	S 38°4' W	134.82	meters to corner 410;
16	thence	S 54°1' W	54.91	meters to corner 411;
17	thence	S 31°16' W	26.36	meters to corner 412;
18	thence	S 12°26' E	28.39	meters to corner 413;
19	thence	S 22°36' E	43.05	meters to corner 414;
20	thence	S 67°22' E	60.73	meters to corner 415;
21	thence	S 50°28' E	189.39	meters to corner 416;
22	thence	S 26°53' W	33.89	meters to corner 417;
23	thence	S 34°18' W	84.17	meters to corner 418;
24	thence	N 68°45' W	19.82	meters to corner 419;
25	thence	S 28°35' W	125.31	meters to corner 420;
26	thence	S 82°56' E	25.35	meters to corner 421;
27	thence	S 86°59' E	82.73	meters to corner 1,

28 and comprises three hundred seventy-eight (378) hectares, more or less.

29 SEC. 6. Establishment of Buffer Zones. – The Secretary of the 30 Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), upon the 31 recommendation of the Protected Area Management Board created under Section 32 7 of this Act, may designate areas surrounding the PLPL as buffer zones for the purpose of providing an extra layer of protection where restrictions may be applied: *Provided*, That in cases where the designated buffer zone would cover private lands, the owners thereof shall be required to design their development with due consideration to the protected area management plan.

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# **ARTICLE II**

# MANAGEMENT MECHANISMS

SEC. 7. Protected Area Management Board. – Within ninety (90) days
from the effectivity of this Act, a Protected Area Management Board (PAMB) shall
be created to oversee the management of the PLPL. The PAMB shall be composed
of the following:

- 11 (a) DENR Regional Executive Director for Region I, as Chairperson;
- 12 (b) Governor of the Province of Ilocos Norte or a duly authorized
  13 representative;
- (c) Senators of the Republic of the Philippines who are duly registered
  residents of the Province of Ilocos Norte, or their duly designated
  representatives, unless the Senators decline the membership in the
  PAMB;
- (d) District Representative of the Congressional District where the PLPL is
  located, or a duly designated representative, unless the District
  Representative declines the membership in the PAMB;
- (e) Mayor of the Municipality of Paoay, in the Province of Ilocos Norte or a
   duly authorized representative;
- (f) Chairpersons of all the *barangays* with territorial jurisdiction over the
  PLPL;
- (g) Regional Directors of the following government agencies, namely:
   Department of Agriculture, National Economic and Development
   Authority, Department of Science and Technology, Philippine National
   Police, Department of National Defense, and Department of Tourism;
- (h) Three (3) representatives from either NGOs, or people's organizations
  (POs) based in the Province of Ilocos Norte, duly accredited both by the
  DENR and the provincial government. The NGOs or POs represented
  should have been in existence for at least five (5) years and with track

1 record in or related to protected area management; 2 (i) At least one (1) but not more than three (3) representatives from all the 3 indigenous cultural communities/ indigenous peoples present in the area and recognized by the National Commission on Indigenous Peoples; 4 5 (j) One (1) representative from an academic institution, preferably from a 6 university or college in the Province of Ilocos Norte, with proven track 7 record in or related to protected area management; and 8 (k) One (1) representative from the private sector, preferably a resident of the Province of Ilocos Norte, who is distinguished in a profession or field 9 10 of interest relevant to the management of a protected area. 11 The terms of office of members of the PAMB, as well as the grounds for 12 their removal shall be in accordance with the provisions of Republic Act No. 7586, otherwise known as the "National Integrated Protected Areas System Act of 1992" 13 14 as amended by Republic Act No. 11038, otherwise known as the "Expanded National Integrated Protected Areas System Act of 2018". 15 16 SEC. 8. Functions of the PAMB. - The PAMB shall have the following 17 powers and functions: 18 (a) Oversee the management of the PLPL; 19 (b) Approve policies, plans and programs, proposals, agreements, and other 20 related documents for the management of the PLPL; 21 (c) Approve the management plan of the PLPL and ensure its harmonization 22 with and integration into the Ancestral Domain Sustainable Development and Protection Plan, land use plan and other development plans, public or 23 24 private, and their implementation; 25 (d) Adopt a manual of operations to include rules of procedures in the conduct 26 of business, and the creation of committees and their respective terms of 27 reference: 28 (e) Recommend the deputation of appropriate agencies and individuals for the 29 enforcement of the laws, rules and regulations governing the management 30 of the PLPL; 31 (f) Allocate financial resources for the implementation of the management plan 32 and manage the Protected Area Retention Income Account and other funds

- in accordance with government accounting, budgeting, and auditing rules and regulations;
- (g) Set fees and charges in accordance with existing guidelines;
- (h) Issue rules and regulations for the resolution of conflicts through appropriate and effective means;
- (i) Recommend appropriate policy changes to the DENR and other government authorities with respect to the management of the PLPL;
- 8 (j) Monitor and assess the performance of the Protected Area Superintendent 9 and other protected area personnel and compliance of partners with the 10 terms and conditions of any undertaking, contract or agreement relative to 11 any project or activity within the PLPL;

(k) Recommend from among a shortlist of qualified candidates, the designation
 or appointment of the Protected Area Superintendent; and

(1) Assess the effectiveness of the management of the protected area: Provided, 14 15 That the members of the PAMB representing the LGUs and national agencies shall inform their respective constituents, offices or sectors, of 16 17 PAMB-approved or other relevant policies, rules, regulations, programs, and projects and shall ensure that the provisions of this Act and the rules 18 and regulations issued to implement it are complied with and used as 19 reference and framework in their respective plans, policies, programs, and 20 Failure to comply with the foregoing shall be the basis for 21 projects. 22 disciplinary action against such member according to administrative rules and regulations and such penalties as the PAMB may provide: Provided, 23 24 further, That the DENR, through the Regional Director, shall ensure that the PAMB acts within the scope of its powers and functions. In case of 25 conflict between the resolutions issued by the PAMB and the existing 26 administrative orders of national application, the latter shall prevail. 27

SEC. 9. The Protected Area Management Office. — There is hereby established a Protected Area Management Office (PAMO) to be headed by a Protected Area Superintendent (PASu) who shall supervise the day to day management, protection, and administration of the PLPL. The PASu shall hold a permanent plantilla position and shall be appointed by the DENR Secretary. A

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1	to be authorized, and shall continue to be issued by relevant authorities,
2	subject to prior clearance from the PAMB, through the PASu;
3	(j) Collect and receive pertinent fees, charges, donations, and other income for
4	the PLPL: Provided, That such fees, charges, donations, and other income
5	collected and received shall be reported regularly to the PAMB and the
6	DENR in accordance with existing guidelines;
7	(k) Prepare and recommend to the PAMB, approval of the annual work and
8	financial plans of the PLPL based on the management plan; and
9	(l) Perform such other functions as the PAMB and the DENR may assign.
10	The PAMO may be augmented by the deputized local environment and
11	natural resources officers upon the recommendation of the PAMB and approval of
12	the DENR.
13	ARTICLE III
14	PROCEEDS AND FEES
15	SEC. 10. The Paoay Lake Protected Landscape Integrated Protected
16	Area Fund There is hereby established a trust fund to be known as the Paoay
17	Lake Protected Landscape Integrated Protected Area Fund (PLPL-IPAF) for
18	purposes of financing projects of the PLPL and the NIPAS. All income generated
19	from the operation and management of wild flora and fauna in the PLPL shall
20	accrue to the PLPL-IPAF. The income shall be derived from fees from permitted
21	sale and export of flora and fauna and other resources from the PLPL, proceeds
22	from the lease of multiple-use areas, contributions from industries and facilities
23	directly benefiting from the PLPL, and such other fees and income derived from
24	the operation of the PLPL.
25	The PAMB shall retain seventy-five percent (75%) of all revenues raised
26	through the above means, which shall be deposited in the Protected Area-Retained
27	Income Account (PA-RIA) in any authorized government depository bank within
28	the locality: Provided, That disbursements out of such deposits shall be used solely

for the protection, maintenance, administration, and management of the PLPL and implementation of duly approved projects of the PAMB. The remaining twenty-five percent (25%) of revenues shall be deposited as a special account in

32 the General Fund of the National Treasury for purposes of financing the projects

1 of the NIPAS.

The fund may be augmented by grants, donations, and endowments from 2 3 various sources, domestic or foreign: Provided, That the fund shall be deposited in 4 full as a special account in the National Treasury and disbursements therefrom 5 shall be made solely for the protection, maintenance, administration and management of the NIPAS and duly approved projects endorsed by the PAMB in 6 7 accordance with existing accounting, budgeting and auditing rules and regulations: Provided, further, That the fund shall not be used to cover personal 8 9 services expenditures.

10 The LGUs shall continue to impose and collect all other fees not enumerated herein which they have traditionally collected, such as business permits, property 11 tax and rentals of LGUs' facilities. 12

### **ARTICLE IV**

### TRANSITORY AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

15 SEC. 11. Appropriations. – The Secretary of the DENR shall immediately 16 include in the Department's program the implementation of this Act, the funding 17 of which shall be included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

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SEC. 12. Suppletory Application of the NIPAS Law. - The provisions of Republic Act No. 7586, as amended by Republic Act No. 11038, shall have 19 20 suppletory application to this Act.

21 SEC. 13. Implementing Rules and Regulations. - Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Secretary of the DENR shall, in 22 consultation with the local governments of the Municipality of Paoay, the 23 24 provincial government of Ilocos Norte, and concerned national government 25 agencies, issue rules and regulations for the effective implementation of this Act.

26 SEC. 14. Separability Clause. - If any section or provision of this Act is 27 held unconstitutional or invalid, the remaining sections or provisions not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect. 28

29 SEC. 15. Repealing Clause. - All laws, decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations, issuance or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this 30 31 Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

sufficient number of support staff with permanent plantilla positions shall
 likewise be appointed by the DENR Secretary to assist the PASu in the
 management of the protected area.

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The PASu shall be primarily accountable to the PAMB and the DENR for the management and operations of the PLPL. Pursuant thereto, the PASu shall have the following duties and responsibilities:

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- (a) Prepare the management plan, in consultation with the stakeholders, including the annual work and financial plan and ensure its implementation;
- (b) Ensure the integration of relevant national and LGU plans and programs
   into MPL management plans, programs, projects, and policies;
- (c) Provide secretariat services to the PAMB and its committees and ensure the
   availability of relevant and timely information for decision-making;
- 14 (d) Formulate and recommend to the PAMB proposed policies, rules,
  15 regulations, and programs;
- (e) Establish, operate, and maintain a database management system which
  shall be an important basis for decision-making;
- (f) Enforce the laws, rules and regulations relevant to the PLPL, commence and
   institute administrative and legal actions in collaboration with other
   government agencies or organizations, and assist in the prosecution of
   offenses committed in violation of the provisions of this Act;
- (g) Monitor, evaluate, and report the implementation of management activities
  of the PLPL;
- (h) Request for and receive any technical assistance, support or advice from any
   agency or instrumentality of the government as well as academic
   institutions, NGOs, and the private sector, as may be necessary for the
   effective management, protection and administration of the PLPL;
- (i) Issue permits and clearances for activities that implement the management
   plan and other permitted activities in accordance with terms, conditions,
   and criteria established by the PAMB: *Provided*, That all permits for
   extraction of natural resources for research purposes, including the
   collection of wildlife and its by-products or derivatives, shall specify the acts

 SEC. 16. *Effectivity*. - This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its
 publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a newspaper of general circulation. Approved,