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PROVINCE OF TAWI-TAWI

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S.P. RESOLUTION NO. 004-18, S. 2025

A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE TAWI-TAWI ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE (TAWELCO) TO COMPLY WITH MILG MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 116, SERIES OF 2025, ON THE ACCREDITATION OF CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS (CSOs) AND SELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES IN LOCAL SPECIAL BODIES (LSBs)

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WHEREAS, the Ministry of the Interior and Local Government (MILG) of the Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM) issued Memorandum Circular No. 116, Series of 2025, prescribing standardized guidelines for the accreditation of Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) and the selection of their representatives in Local Special Bodies (LSBs) across all constituent local government units (LGUs) in BARMM;

WHEREAS, the said Circular defines a Civil Society Organization as a non-state, non-profit association, including cooperatives, that operate to advance a common purpose or advocate for specific interests, with the aim of improving society and the human condition;

WHEREAS, the Tawi-Tawi Electric Cooperative (TAWELCO) is a duly registered cooperative operating across several municipalities in the Province of Tawi-Tawi and, by definition under the aforementioned Circular, qualifies as a Civil Society Organization providing essential public utility services;

WHEREAS, participation of TAWELCO in the CSO accreditation process and its potential representation in Local Special Bodies is essential to ensuring that public utility and power-related concerns are adequately considered in the formulation of local development policies and programs;

WHEREAS, to ensure inclusivity, transparency, and participation of all CSOs, particularly those providing basic services such as electricity, the Sangguniang Panlalawigan deems it necessary for TAWELCO to pursue accreditation, thereby opening opportunities for selection and representation in Local Special Bodies;

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NOW, **THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, as it is hereby resolved, by the Sangguniang Panlalawigan of the Province of Tawi-Tawi, to urge the Tawi-Tawi Electric Cooperative (TAWELCO) to apply for accreditation in accordance with the guidelines set forth in MILG Memorandum Circular No. 116, Series of 2025;

RESOLVED FURTHER, that TAWELCO shall designate its duly authorized representative to serve in the Local Special Bodies where it is selected or invited to participate, in accordance with the principles of participatory and accountable governance enshrined in the Circular;

RESOLVED FINALLY, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the TAWELCO Board of Trustees and General Manager, the Ministry of the Interior and Local Government – BARMM, and the Office of the Provincial Governor for their information, guidance, and appropriate action.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this 5th day of August 2025 (*11 Safar 1447 AH*), Bongao, Tawi-Tawi, Philippines.

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