## DRAFT RESOLUTION COMMENDING HON. MARIA NORINA S. TANGARO-CASINGAL ON HER APPOINTMENT TUGUEGARAO CITY, CAGAYAN AS COMMISSIONER OF THE COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS

JUL 16 2025

Date:

Sponsors:

Hon. Jude T. Bayona

Hon. Ronaldo S. Ortiz

Hon. Marc Aldous C. Baccay Hon. Maria Rosario B. Soriano

Hon. Karina G. Viernes Hon. Ryan Dennis G. Avila

WHEREAS, the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) is the independent constitutional body in the Philippines responsible for overseeing and ensuring the conduct of free, fair, honest, orderly, and credible elections, thereby safeguarding the democratic process in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, under Article IX-C of the 1987 Philippine Constitution, the Commission on Elections (COMELEC) is composed of a Chair and six (6) Commissioners, each appointed by the President of the Philippines and serving a single non-renewable term of seven (7) years;

WHEREAS, the appointments are subject to confirmation by the Commission on Appointments (CA), a body composed of members from both the Senate and the House of Representatives.

WHEREAS, Hon. Maria Norina S. Tangaro-Casingal, a native of Tuguegarao City, Cagayan, has been appointed as Commissioner of the Commission on Elections (COMELEC), following more than two decades of exemplary service within the institution;

WHEREAS, Commissioner Tangaro-Casingal graduated as valedictorian of Tuguegarao North Central School and as a consistent honor student at Cagayan National High School, exemplifying academic excellence, discipline and integrity from an early age;

WHEREAS, Commissioner Tangaro-Casingal earned her degree in Political Science from Far Eastern University and pursued her law studies with distinction, consistently making the Dean's List, and successfully passed the Philippine Bar Examination in 1997;

WHEREAS, Commissioner Tangaro-Casingal's career in public service began in 1998 at the Commission on Elections as Attorney III in the Law Department, where she steadily rose through the ranks, being promoted to Attorney V, then Attorney VI and Division Chief, before being appointed as Acting Director III in 2011, and subsequently receiving her permanent appointment to the position in 2014;

**WHEREAS,** Commissioner Tangaro-Casingal further served as Director IV of the COMELEC Law Department starting in 2016 and continued to lead with professionalism and competence until her ad interim appointment as Commissioner of COMELEC on February 10, 2025, which was confirmed by the Commission on Appointments on June 10, 2025;

**WHEREAS,** Commissioner Tangaro-Casingal's appointment, a testament to her more than 27 years of dedicated and faithful service, brings an immense pride and inspiration to the people of Tuguegarao City, the Province of Cagayan and the entire Region II;

**NOW, THEREFORE, RESOLVE** as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to commend Hon. Maria Norina S. Tangaro-Casingal on her appointment as Commissioner of the Commission on Elections.

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that a copy of this resolution be furnished to Commissioner Tangaro-Casingal as a token of recognition and highest esteem from her hometown and fellow public servants.





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## CA CONFIRMS COMELEC COMMISSIONERS

The Commission on Appointments, led by Senate President Francis "Chiz" G. Escudero, confirmed the appointments of new Commission on Elections (Comelec) Commissioners Maria Norina Tangaro-Casingal and Noli Pipo on Tuesday, June 10, 2025.

Tangaro-Casingal and Pipo faced the members of the CA wherein they addressed oppositions filed against their confirmation as Comelec commissioners.

Both commissioners will serve in the poll body for terms expiring in February, 2032.

( Voltaire F. Domingo, Senate Social Media Unit/ Joseph B. Vidal, OSP)

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Congratulations to our boss, the calm-in-the-storm, grace-under-pressure, and positive energy personified, Atty. Maria Norina Tangaro-Casingal, whose appointment as commissioner of the Commission on Elections was confirmed today, June 10, by the Commission on Appointments!

A native of Tuguegarao City, Comm Norie will serve a term ending on February 2, 2032—a fitting cap to her over 27 years of service at COMELEC. Prior to her appointment on February 10 this year, she led the COMELEC Law Department as its Director IV, having steadily risen through the ranks from her first role therein as Attorney III.

Alongside Comm Norie is fellow Ilocano intellectual, Commissioner Noli Rafol Pipo, former Regional Election Director of COMELEC Region I with over three decades of dedicated service, whose appointment was likewise confirmed today.

Indeed, theirs are appointments not only well-earned but also well-deserved. 🐪 🍋



MARIA NORINA S. TANGARO-CASINGAL