H. No. 4740

REPUBLIC ACT NO. 8022

AN ACT DECLARING THE MUNICIPALITIES OF BOAC, BUENAVISTA, AND TORRIJOS IN THE PROVINCE OF MARINDUQUE AS TOURIST ZONES

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

SECTION 1. The municipalities of Boac, Buenavista, and Torrijos are hereby declared as tourist zones. As such, they shall be accorded priority development by the Department of Tourism and shall be subject to the rules and regulations governing the development of tourist zones.

SEC. 2. The Department of Tourism, in coordination with the Philippine Tourism Authority and other concerned agencies of the government shall, within one (1) year from the approval of this Act, prepare a tourism development plan for the said municipalities of the Province of Marinduque which shall provide for the construction, improvement and/or maintenance of such appropriate facilities and infrastructure as shall enhance tourism in the areas stated in this Act: *Provided*, That said development plan shall ensure the preservation of the natural beauty and/or historical significance of the area.

SEC. 3. The Department of Tourism shall take immediate steps to implement said development plan and shall incorporate the same in its overall tourism development program for the ensuing calendar year.

SEC. 4. The Department of Tourism shall likewise promulgate the necessary rules and regulations for the proper implementation of this Act.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

Lapsed into law on May 25,1995 without the President's signature, pursuant to Sec. 27(1), Article VI of the Constitution.